

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe, on MONDAY, 18th SEPTEMBER, 1989 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
 Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. B E Read
 Cllr. P S Crow Cllr. R Simmonds

Also in attendance were Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, P R Defty, T V Dixon, R A Francis, P J French and B G Poppy.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs D J Ash-Smith and M A Crosby.

308 STANDING ORDERS It was

RECOMMENDED

That Standing Order number 1 (vi) be suspended for the duration of the Meeting.

Councillor R Simmonds entered the Council Chamber.

309 PRICING Suggested prices had been distributed to Members for their consideration and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the attached price list be accepted.

Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, P R Defty, P J French and B G Poppy entered whilst the above mentioned items were being discussed.

310 CLEANING Members considered the Report submitted for costs involved reference equipment and wages for the cleaning of the Centre and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Manager's Report be accepted for in-house cleaning.

311 BAR MANAGER Members were advised that Mr Cunningham had accepted the position of Bar Manager and would commence his employment on 2nd October.

312 STORAGE Members were advised that enquiries had been made with various companies for the provision of container type storage units.

313 REFUSE COLLECTION The Borough Council had been contacted regarding refuse collections from the site, which could be provided at a cost of £392 per annum for 2 Eurobins.

314 LICENCE Members were informed that the hearing for the Licence had been adjourned by the Magistrates until October 6th. The reason for the adjournment was that some essential work had not been carried out to the satisfaction of the Fire Brigade.

The Centre Manager was asked to have the name of the Bar Manager included on the Licence - if possible for the hearing on October 6th.

Councillors P R Defty, T V Dixon, R A Francis and P J French left the Council Chamber.

315 LEASE Members were informed that a letter had been received from the Borough Council's Solicitors asking for two amendments to be included in the Lease.

RECOMMENDED

That a copy of this letter and the list of queries to be raised be sent to the Town Council's Solicitor.

A special Meeting was to be arranged to discuss the Lease in detail, with the Solicitor.

316 TENANCY-AT-WILL Members were advised of a letter that had been received from the Borough Council concerning the hand over of keys subject to the conditions of a tenancy-at-will.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that the Town Council would accept the conditions of the tenancy-at-will once the fire exit had been installed, leading from the store room, in addition to the outstanding works which required attention.

Chairman



LEISURE CENTRE PRICING

Admissions

Junior £ 0.25p
 Adult £ 0.50p
 O.A.P. £ 0.25p

Childrens Parties (2hr) £15.00

Parent/Toddlers Activities £ 1.25

Bar Area (hr) £10.00

Sports Hall Hire (hr)

Peak £10.50
 Off Peak £ 7.50

Commercial Sports Hall Hire (hr) By
 Negotiation

Courses T.B.A.

Badminton/Short Tennis (hr)

Peak £ 3.00
 Off Peak £ 2.00

Table Tennis

Peak £ 1.50
 Off Peak £ 1.00

Fitness Room

Peak £ 2.50 Per person per hour
 Off Peak £ 1.75 Per person per hour

Short Mat Bowls

Peak £ 2.00 Per rink per hour
 Off Peak £ 1.00 Per rink per hour

Equipment Hire

Equipment to be loaned on production of Membership Card and for non-members minimum £1 charge for hire of equipment, returnable at discretion of staff.

Bookings accepted for one year in advance, conditions of hire to apply as for Community Halls.

MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at
Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY 28th SEPTEMBER, 1989 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT :

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| Cllr. M A Crosby - Town Mayor | Cllr. Mrs S East |
| Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith | Cllr. R A Francis |
| Cllr. Mrs A E D Barham | Cllr. Mrs B A Halford |
| Cllr. A M Barham | Cllr. N Halford |
| Cllr. P S Crow | Cllr. B G Poppy |
| Cllr. P R Defty | Cllr. B E Read |
| Cllr. T V Dixon | Cllr. R Simmonds |

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A R Armstrong, M D Chater, B R Francis and P J French.

317 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 27th July 1989 be confirmed and signed.

Councillor B E Read
entered the Council Chamber

318 LEISURE CENTRE Members were advised of the latest situation and correspondence that had been received from the Borough Council. Members were also advised of a letter received from the Town Council's Solicitors offering various dates for a meeting with Members to discuss the Lease.

Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith,
Councillor Mrs B A Halford and
Councillor N Halford entered the
Council Chamber and apologised
for being late.

RESOLVED

That the date for the Leisure Centre Management Committee Meeting be changed from Monday 2nd October to Wednesday 4th October, and the Solicitors be invited to attend on that evening.

319 VALLEY VIEW - PLAYGROUND Members had received a copy of a letter from Saxon Developments regarding the freehold on the land at the Valley View Site.

RESOLVED

That this item be deferred until the next Executive Committee Meeting.

320 KENT RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL Members were advised of an invitation received from the K.R.C.C. to attend their 66th Annual Meeting on the 6th October at 2 p.m. at County Hall, Maidstone.

NOTED



321 MANOR ROAD Members were advised of receipt of a copy letter that had been sent by Mrs Bassant, Headmistress, to the Borough Council Highways Department, regarding the dangerous state of Manor Road just by the School entrance.

RESOLVED

That Mrs Bassant be informed of the action the Town Council had taken concerning the problems in Manor Road, and copies of the correspondence and Mrs Bassant's letter be sent to Mr Thrussell, at Dartford Borough Council.

322 MR H PORTER Members were advised of the letter received from Mr and Mrs Porter thanking Members and Staff for the good wishes sent to Mr Porter during his recent stay in hospital.

323 EMMANUEL CHURCH Members were advised of a request made by the Emmanuel Church to hold a short open air meeting at Knockhall Playing Fields on Sunday 1st October, following a public procession around the Knockhall area.

RESOLVED

That the Emmanuel Church be given permission to use the playing fields on Sunday 1st October.

324 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs A E D Barham

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th July 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

325 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs A E D Barham

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th August 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

326 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs B A Halford and seconded by Councillor A M Barham.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 17th August 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

327 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs B A Halford.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th August 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

328 RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor Mrs B A Halford and seconded by Councillor A M Barham

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 31st August 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.



329 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor A M Barham.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th September 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

330 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor A M Barham.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th September 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

331 TENANCY-AT-WILL Members discussed the offer of a Tenancy-at-Will from Dartford Borough Council. Members voted unanimously, and it was,

RESOLVED

That the Town Council enter into a Tenancy-at-Will as proposed by Dartford Borough Council.

332 REPORTS OF COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES Members received copies of reports from the Swanscombe Bowling Meeting on 25/7/89; the Site Meeting at Craylands Lane on 9/8/89; and a meeting between Dartford Borough Council, the Town Clerk and Mr Mulhall on 22/8/89.

NOTED

333 GRAVESEND SOCIETY FOR THE MENTALLY HANDICAPPED Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith gave a brief report on a recent meeting she had attended, and advised Members that a recent Jumble Sale had raised £200 for the Society.

334 GREENHITHE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Councillor Mrs Ash-Smith informed Members of a recent meeting she had organised between the Greenhithe Community Association and representatives of Kent County Council.

335 TOWN MAYORS ANNOUNCEMENTS The Town Mayor, Councillor M A Crosby informed Members of a sponsored walk he had participated in for the League of Friends, Stone House Hospital, and had made a donation of £100. The Town Mayor also informed Members that Gift Vouchers had been purchased for the children who had suggested road names and it was,

RESOLVED

That the Town Mayor, Councillor M A Crosby visit Manor Road School to present the children with their prizes.

336 ATTENDANCE AT COMMITTEE MEETINGS Following a lengthy discussion regarding a meeting of the Leisure Centre Management Committee it was,

RESOLVED

That the Chairman be asked to give an explanation.

The Chairman declined to reply.

337 NOMINATION FOR A MEMBER TO SERVE ON THE YOUTH CLUB COMMITTEE

RESOLVED

That this item be deferred until the next Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting.

338 RESOLUTION PROPOSED BY COUNCILLOR P S CROW Members discussed the Resolution proposed by Councillor Crow and seconded by Councillor B E Read. The Motion was lost and the Resolution was not accepted.

339 RESOLUTION PROPOSED BY THE LABOUR GROUP Following discussion, the Town Mayor, Councillor M A Crosby decided that this item should be removed from the Agenda.

Councillor Mrs B A Halford and Councillor N Halford
left the Council Chamber,

340 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members consideration :-

- DA/89/0834 Application for approval of external appearance of the reconstructed Station building.
Swanscombe Railway Station, High Street, Swanscombe, Kent.
- OBSERVATIONS : Recommend Approval
- DA/89/0841 Erection of a detached two storey building to provide two self contained flats with associated car parking.
Land at 1 Broad Road, Swanscombe, Kent.
- OBSERVATIONS : Recommend refusal for the following reasons :
(a) It will alter the design of the estate.
(b) Would set a precedent for every corner site.
(c) It is out of character with the area.
(d) will add to the traffic problems already being experienced in this area.
- DA/89/0843 Erection of a four storey side extension and change of use of property from 2 no. self contained flats to 8 no. self contained flats with associated car parking.
9 Cobham Terrace, Bean Road, Greenhithe, Kent.
- OBSERVATIONS : Members object to this application due to the access which is totally unsuitable and unsafe.
- DA/89/0848 Provision of dormer windows in front and rear elevations.
14 Broomfield Road, Swanscombe, Kent.
- OBSERVATIONS : No Observations.
- DA/89/0858 Erection of a satellite dish.
2 High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.
- OBSERVATIONS : No Observations
- DA/89/0644 (Rev) All Saints Church, Galley Hill Swanscombe,
OBSERVATIONS : Site Meeting requested.



Members were advised that the following Planning Application had been withdrawn:

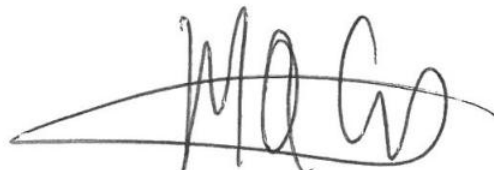
DA/88/0213 9 Milton Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

Withdrawal date: 5th September, 1989.

Members were advised that the following Decision Notice had been received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development :

DA/89/0656 (Rev) 6 Cobham Terrace, Bean Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

Town Mayor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M. C. S.', written over a horizontal line.

MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on WEDNESDAY, 4th OCTOBER 1989 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT:

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| Cllr. M A Crosby - Town Mayor | |
| Cllr. Mrs A E D Barham | Cllr. Mrs B A Halford |
| Cllr. A M Barham | Cllr. N Halford |
| Cllr. M D Chater | Cllr. B G Poppy |
| Cllr. Mrs S East | Cllr. B E Read |

Also in attendance Councillor's R A Francis and P J French.

341 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on August 17th were confirmed and signed.

342 STANDING ORDERS It was

RECOMMENDED

That Standing Order number 1 (vi) be suspended for the duration of the Meeting.

Councillor Mrs East entered the Council Chamber

343 STAFFING Members were advised of the 1989 A P T & C salaries agreement.

RECOMMENDED

That this agreement be accepted.

Councillor A M Barham entered the Council Chamber

Mr Hinkley to be given an additional payment of £7.67 until November 6th for greenkeeper training.

344 PARKS FOREMAN Members considered the application forms that had been received and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That interviews be arranged for four of the applicants, on Wednesday, 11th October from 7 p.m.

345 INSCRIPTION FOR SEAT Discussion took place regarding a suitable inscription for the plaque on the seat that had been brought in memory of the late Councillor P G Melvin.

346 SAXON DEVELOPMENTS Members considered the letter that had been received from Mr Simms, Project Manager, offering the freehold interest in the Valley View playground.

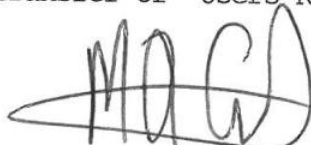
RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk accept the offer, in principle.

347 TOWN COUNCIL'S USER RIGHTS Discussion took place regarding the tenancy of Manor House and the 'Users Rights' as a successor Council.

RECOMMENDED

That enquiries be made regarding the possible transfer of 'Users Rights'.



MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on WEDNESDAY, 4th OCTOBER 1989 at 8.30 p.m.

PRESENT :

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| Cllr. N Halford - Chairman | |
| Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith | Cllr. Mrs B A Halford |
| Cllr. A M Barham | Cllr. B E Read |
| Cllr. M A Crosby | Cllr. R Simmonds |

Mr Crowhurst, Solicitor was also present.

Also in attendance were Councillor's Mrs Barham, R A Francis, P J French and B G Poppy.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Crow.

348 STANDING ORDERS It was

RECOMMENDED

That Standing Order number 1 (vi) be suspended for the duration of the Meeting.

349 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meetings held on 24th August and 18th September were confirmed and signed.

Councillor N Halford introduced Mr Crowhurst to Members of the Committee and invited him to explain the position regarding the Lease.

It was explained that this was a standard business type lease and Mr Crowhurst then replied to the queries that had been raised.

After a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the various points to be raised would be forwarded to Mr Crowhurst for him to deal with.

Mr Crowhurst was thanked for attending and the Meeting continued.

350 BAR MANAGER Members were advised that the Bar Manager's name would be added to the Licence at the Licensing Session to be held on November 8th.

351 OCCASIONAL LICENCES FOR FUNCTIONS Members were informed that the Council could apply for Occasional Licences as often as needed providing no objections were raised by the Police.

352 FIRE REGULATIONS Mr Emery of the Kent Fire Brigade had inspected the Leisure Centre on September 26th and passed the building for the grant of the Liquor Licence. The building could be used for non-spectator sports only, until the Music and Dance Licence had been granted.

353 PERFORMING RIGHTS SOCIETY A copy-right Music Licence had been granted at a cost of £148.38 permitting live or taped music plus four video shows per year.

354 TELEPHONES Members were advised that the telephone system should be installed by October 13th and although the additional numbers had been issued they were liable to be changed at this stage.

RECOMMENDED

That the Centre Manager employ cleaning staff as required.

356 PETTY CASH It was

RECOMMENDED

That a sum of £25.00 be made available for Petty Cash.

357 EQUIPMENT Discussion took place regarding equipment which was still needed.

RECOMMENDED

That the Centre Manager obtain details of leasing arrangements for an ice-maker, glass washer and fridge/freezer, and provide a detailed list of equipment still needed.

358 BAR STAFF After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the vacancy for Assistant Bar Manager be advertised.

359 BREWERS Members were advised of the current proposals from Courages and Charringtons.

Advice had been obtained from Kent Association of Parish Council's regarding the offer of an advance of discount, and this would not be classed as a loan.

RECOMMENDED

That an agreement be made with Courage Breweries.

Councillor R Simmonds left the Council Chamber.

360 ADVERTISING The Centre would be advertised in the local press and radio Kent and leaflets would be distributed.

Chairman



MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at Manor House,
Swanscombe on THURSDAY 12th OCTOBER 1989 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT :

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| | Cllr. M A Crosby - Chairman | |
| Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith | | Cllr. R A Francis |
| Cllr. Mrs A E Barham | | Cllr. P J French |
| Cllr. A M Barham | | Cllr. N Halford |
| Cllr. T V Dixon | | Cllr. B G Poppy |
| Cllr. Mrs S East | | Cllr. B E Read |
| Cllr. B R Francis | | Cllr. R Simmonds |

361 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 31st August 1989 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors A R Armstrong, M D Chater and P S Crow.

Councillor Mrs East entered the Council Chamber and apologised for being late.

362 PARK FOREMANS REPORT Members were advised that damage had been caused to the cricket table by persons practising golf, and motor cycles skidding and tearing up the Sports Ground. Members were also advised that wine glasses, bottles and cans were being broken and thrown on the Sports Ground. After a lengthy discussion, it was,

Councillor N Halford entered the Council Chamber,

RECOMMENDED

The Clerk to write to the Pavilion requesting their assistance regarding the problems of broken glasses etc on the playing field.

Councillor B E Read entered the Council Chamber.

363 WAR MEMORIAL Members were advised that children were damaging the flower beds by the Memorial by cycling over them. A suggestion had been made to fence this area to try and protect the plants. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a low fence be erected around the beds.

364 CHURCHYARD STEPS Reference Minute 28, Members received copies of the additional estimates for the repairs required to the churchyard steps. Members were informed that the estimates had been submitted to Dartford Borough Council for consideration for grant aid.



RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to the Parochial Church Council requesting they seek financial assistance towards the cost of this work.

365 LAND REAR OF TAUNTON ROAD Reference Minute 29, Members were advised that the cost of Dartford Borough Council providing the specification for a Tender document would be in the region of £300 - £500 and that an approximate figure of £18,000 had been suggested to remove rubbish and 10" of topsoil and replace with rolled stones, or 6" of topsoil removed approximately £11,000. Members received copies of estimates from Gravesham Borough Council.

Members were again reminded that the Owners could still claim the land in question, and the area rear of Sweyne Road, and any expenditure would be lost. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to D.R.G. requesting permission to lease part of their car park, as a possible solution to the problem.

366 KNOCKHALL CHANGING ROOMS Members received a copy of the Surveyors Structural Report together with a letter from the Solicitor. After a lengthy discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk inform the Solicitors that Members were in agreement with the recommendations contained in the Report and to act accordingly.

367 TOP HOUSE/RISING SUN Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the above mentioned football club informing that the League's Divisional Secretary was very concerned at the condition of the old changing rooms. The teams were enquiring as to when they might expect to be able to use the new changing rooms.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply advising that the new facilities should be ready for use very shortly, providing there were no unforeseen problems.

368 KNOCKHALL - SECURITY LIGHTING Members were advised of two estimates that had been received for providing security lighting at Knockhall.

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| (a) Seeboard | £965.00 |
| (b) Darent Valley | £256.00 plus V.A.T. |

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk accept the estimate from Darent Valley once it was confirmed in writing, and have the Security Lighting installed as soon as the fencing had been completed.

369 BROOMFIELD ROAD - FENCING Members briefly discussed the possibility of continuing the fencing at Broomfield Road Sports Ground, and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting. In the meantime, the Clerk contact Dartford Borough Council requesting permission to erect "kissing gates" at either end of the footpath.



370 JUNCTION HIGH STREET/LONDON ROAD Reference Minute 273, Members had received a copy of the reply from Dartford Borough Council - Environmental Services Officer regarding the Town Council's request for a pedestrian crossing at this junction.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply requesting when and at what time of day the Borough Council carried out their traffic survey.

371 KENT ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS Members received a copy of the Parish News number 164 together with a copy of the latest Tunnel Rail News Flash.

NOTED

372 N.A.L.C. Members were advised that Issue number 209 of the Direct Information Service had been received together with the Autumn edition of the Local Council Review. Both were available in the office. Members were also advised of a one day conference to be held on Tuesday 21st November at Birmingham entitled 'Country Born - Having a Baby in Rural Britain'.

NOTED

373 COUNTRY MATTERS Members were advised that issue number 14 of the Countryside Project and Volunteers Newsletter had been received and were available in the office.

NOTED

374 SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the Operations Services Officer thanking the Town Council for providing the venue for childrens entertainment and inviting comments or suggestions from Members or residents of the area.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply requesting additional entertainment in future and inform the Borough Council that the Town Council would be willing to help towards any extra costs involved.

375 K.R.C.C. Members were advised that the following literature had been received from K.R.C.C. and was available in the office :

Leaflet entitled Managing your Hall;
Newsletter for Charity Trustees; and
Autumn edition of Oast to Coast.

NOTED

376 FOOTPATH - CRAYLANDS TO KNOCKHALL Members were advised that the footpath had been inspected by Seeboard and received copies of Seeboards proposals and costs for consideration. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk accept Seeboards estimate, and contact Dartford Borough Council again requesting they clear and re-surface the footpath.

377 CHANNEL LINK Members were advised that the Dartford Action Committee had arranged a Seminar to explain the mechanics of their petitioning for 21st October at 2 p.m. at Longfield Upper School.

NOTED

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378 MR T BODLE Members were advised of receipt of a letter from Mr Bodle thanking the Town Council for their generous gift.

379 K.A.P.C. Members were advised that the Annual Meeting of the K.A.P.C. would take place on Saturday, 4th November at Ditton Community Centre.

380 POLICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE Members were informed that the next Police Advisory Committee Meeting would take place at Gravesend School, on Wednesday 18th October at 7.30p.m.

Councillor T V Dixon declared an interest in the next item, but was permitted to remain in the Council Chamber.

381 REPORT FROM THE ALLOTMENT SUB-COMMITTEE Members received a copy of a report from the Allotment Sub-Committee Meeting held on 26th September, and it was suggested that if the Town Council were given first option to purchase the garage from the Allotment Association the offer be declined. After further discussion, it was,

Councillor B R Francis left the Council Chamber.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk advise the Allotment Association that the Town Council were in agreement in principle to purchase the garages and enter into an agreement on a similar basis to that made previously, and this would be looked at in detail once arrangements had been made for land to be available.

382 YOUTH CLUB REPRESENTATIVE Proposed by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor P J French

RECOMMENDED

That Councillor T V Dixon be elected to serve on the Youth Club Committee representing the Town Council.

383 BOTTLE BANKS IN SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk contact Ken Follett at Dartford Borough Council requesting he attend the next Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting, and in the meantime, suggest he looks around the Swanscombe and Greenhithe area for possible sites for bottle banks.

384 FUTURE OF PAVILION After a lengthy discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to the Swanscombe & Greenhithe Association of Sports Clubs requesting that the Association seriously consider re-negotiating a Lease involving a substantial increase in the rent. If no favourable response is received by December 1st, inform them that the Town Council would seriously consider the future of the Pavilion which could include the possible sale of the building to the highest bidder.



385 FUTURE OF COMMUNITY HALLS AT CHURCH ROAD AND THE GROVE Members discussed at length the future of the two Community Halls, and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Committee Room at the Leisure Centre be utilized for other purposes and the Meetings of the Council be held at the Grove Hall on a temporary basis. The Grove Hall to be hired out as usual on all other days except Thursday evenings.

Councillor B G Poppy and Councillor B E Read requested that their votes against this Recommendation be recorded.

386 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Members were advised that the next Leisure Centre Management Committee Meeting would be held on Thursday 19th October, 1989.

RECOMMENDED

That this Meeting be held at the Leisure Centre.

Councillor R A Francis left the Council Chamber.

387 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members consideration :-

DA/89/0883 Change of use of property from single dwelling house to 4 no. self contained flats with associated car parking.
1 London Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members object to this application due to overintensive use of the Site, lack of parking spaces, and the fact that London Road narrows considerably at this point - making access onto London Road completely unsatisfactory.

DA/89/0173/A Application for variations of condition of planning ref DA/89/0173 to increase number of residents in Residential Nursing Home from 10 to 13 and submission of car parking details pursuant to condition 2.
'The Arches', Mounts Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations

DA/89/0897 Erection of a front porch.
41 Broomfield Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No objections

DA/89/0898 Erection of 55 No. terraced houses, 1 detached house and 4 no. flats with associated estate roads, garages and car parking.
Land south of High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members feel that there is not enough information to make any observations regarding this application, however, Members are very concerned at the lack of shops and ask if there are still plans for a Town Square. Finally, Members request a large scale site plan of the entire area.

DA/89/0685/OUT (Rev)

DA/89/0770 & 0771/LB (Rev) All plans relate to:
1, 1a and 1 b Knockhall Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS on Planning Application DA/89/0685/OUT (Rev):

Members recommend refusal as it would be out of character with surrounding area and will have a detrimental effect on a listed building.

OBSERVATIONS on Planning Applications DA/89/0770 & 0771/LB (Rev):

Members have no objections to these applications providing there is sufficient off road car parking spaces and the external appearance and character of the building is not altered.

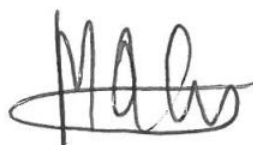
The following Decision Notices had been received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development :

DA/89/0614 (Rev) Land South of High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.
DA/89/0630 (Rev) 115 Knockhall Road, Greenhithe, Kent.
DA/89/0749 Old Rifle Range Quarry, Craylands Lane, Swanscombe, Kent.
DA/89/0754 14 Betsham Road, Swanscombe, Kent.
DA/89/0767 32 Lewis Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

The following Decision Notice was received refusing permission for development:

DA/89/0482(Rev) Land at The Wharf, High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

Chairman.

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at the
Leisure Centre, Craylands Lane, on THURSDAY, 19th OCTOBER 1989 at 8.p.m.

PRESENT :

Cllr. N Halford - Chairman
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. M A Crosby Cllr. R Simmonds

Also in attendance - Councillor's M D Chater, T V Dixon, P J French, R A Francis and B G Poppy.

As the Chairman and Vice Chairman were not present Councillor Crosby was elected to Chair the Meeting.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor P S Crow.

388 LICENCE Members were advised that the full On Licence had been granted on 6th October and Mr Cunningham's name would be added at the Licensing Session to be held on December 1st, 1989.

389 RECEPTIONISTS Members were informed that three receptionists had been appointed, 2 on a full time basis and 1 part time.

390 PUBLIC ADDRESS SYSTEM The system had now been installed.

391 WEIGHT TRAINING The fitness equipment had been installed apart from one piece of equipment which should be delivered shortly.

392 TELEPHONE SYSTEM Members were advised that the installation had not been completed due to problems with the wiring that had been installed by the Contractor.

Councillors Mrs B A Halford and N Halford entered the Meeting and Councillor N Halford was invited to continue as Chairman for the remainder of the Meeting.

393 BREWERS Courage Breweries were preparing a Trading Agreement and a projected profit and loss account had been prepared.

394 FIRE EXIT Members were advised that the completion date was not known as the builder had not been able to obtain the bricks.

395 EQUIPMENT Members had received a list of equipment that had been purchased amounting to £29,930 and were advised that bar furniture had been ordered to the value of £9,000.

RECOMMENDED

That an agreement be entered to lease equipment for the kitchen to the value of £4,129 at a cost of approximately £90 per month.

A television set was to be hired on a rental basis and arrangements were to be made for a gaming machine to be hired.

Estimates were to be obtained for suspended ceilings to be fitted in the toilet areas.

396 FENCING Members were informed that Mr Griffin was investigating the possibility of continuing the fence across the front of the building.

397 OPENING OF THE CENTRE The Leisure Centre would be open for public use apart from spectator sports from 9 a.m. on Saturday, 4th November.

398 STAFFING Members were advised that interviews were to be held shortly for the cleaning staff.

Councillor M A Crosby left the Meeting.

399 STORAGE Following discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That a decision be made by staff and the Chairman and a planning application be submitted as necessary.

Chairman



MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at
Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY 26th OCTOBER 1989 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman Cllr. Mrs S East
 Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. R A Francis
 Cllr. Mrs A E Barham Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
 Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. B G Poppy
 Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. B E Read

400 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th September 1989 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors M A Crosby, P S Crow, P R Defty, B R Francis and P J French.

Councillor B E Read entered the Council Chamber and apologised for being late.

401 BOTTLE BANKS Reference Minute 383, Mr Follett, Dartford Borough Council, gave a report and his opinions of the possible sites for bottle banks in the Swanscombe and Greenhithe area. Members asked Mr Follett questions and generally discussed the idea. Discussion also took place regarding the possibility of negotiating sponsorship with any profits going to local charities.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be discussed further at the following Town Council Meeting.

Councillor N Halford thanked Mr Follett for attending the Meeting.

402 INCOME FOR AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 1989. The Income for August and September 1989 amounting to £4,029.17 was received as set out in the annexed list.

403 ACCOUNTS PAID AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 1989. The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £22,156.48 had been paid during August and September 1989.

404 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT The Clerk informed Members of receipt of the following accounts for payment:

Peat Marwick McLintock £264.50 re. Audit.
C.B.H.B & P £1,841.11 re Licensing for Centre

That these accounts be paid.

RECOMMENDED

Councillor N Halford adjourned the Meeting for 5 minutes.

405 STANDING ORDERS

RECOMMENDED

That Standing Order number 1 (vi) be suspended at 9 p.m.

406 ENGINEERING INSURANCE PREMIUM AND INSPECTION FEES Members were advised that a letter had been received from M M I informing that the premiums for the above mentioned policy were to be increased by 8%, with effect from 1st October, 1989.

NOTED

407 MANOR ROAD, SWANSCOMBE Reference Minute 293, Members received a copy of the replies from the Chief Executive and Environmental Services Officer, Dartford Borough Council, informing of the latest situation regarding the problems in Manor Road. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to the Chief Executive requesting details of the meeting with Woolwich Homes and asking if there had been any response from the Water Authority.

408 K.A.P.C. - DARTFORD AREA COMMITTEE Members were advised that the Secretary of the Dartford Area Committee had recently retired and it had been suggested, during a recent K.A.P.C. Meeting that each Council make a small contribution towards a gift for Mrs Rayfield, in appreciation of the work she had carried out over the years in this voluntary position.

RECOMMENDED

That the Town Council contribute £20 towards a gift for Mrs Rayfield under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

409 MOUNTS COTTAGE SITE - PLAYGROUND Members were advised of receipt of a letter from Saxon Development Company informing that their Solicitors had been instructed to incorporate the transfer of the above-mentioned land to the Town Council within the draft Section 52 Agreement.

NOTED

410 FENCING BROOMFIELD ROAD SPORTS GROUND Members were advised that an amount of £4,500 had been included in the estimates for 89/90. Members were informed that a verbal estimate of £6,639.00 had been received to complete the 342 metre length required to the edge of the public footpath - with an additional £550 for each kissing gate. Finally, Members were advised that a letter had been sent to Dartford Borough Council seeking permission to erect gates at either end of the footpath.

411 WAR MEMORIAL - SWANSCOMBE PARK Members were advised of receipt of two estimates for providing fencing around the flower beds at the Memorial Site. One estimate covering a length of 88' x 25' depth, galvanised 18" fencing in the sum of £1,314.00. The second estimate covering a length of 20' deep x 17' long in the sum of £596.00.

RECOMMENDED

That a plan be made showing the proposals for fencing this area.

412 SECURITY LIGHTING - KNOCKHALL SPORTS FIELD Members were advised that the cost of supplying security lighting as reported at the Meeting of the Recreation and Amenities Committee, did not include the cost of the 5M columns - this would increase the cost to approximately £600. Written confirmation had been requested.

413 TOWN TWINNING Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the Local Government International Bureau containing information regarding a twinning grant scheme, which was available in the office.

NOTED

414 ST. JOHNS AMBULANCE Members had received a copy of a letter from the St. Johns Ambulance seeking financial assistance towards the cost of a new ambulance that the Organisation had purchased. Members were also advised that they had booked the Church Road Hall for a jumble sale. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Town Council make a donation of £50, under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, towards the new ambulance and suggest that they start making collections again in this area to assist with fund raising. The Organisation also to be given free use of the Community Hall for their jumble sale.

415 WORLD WIDE FUND FOR NATURE Members were advised that the quarterly newspaper had been received together with a gift catalogue, details of the National Westminster W.W.F. Card and the October edition of the B B C Wildlife magazine. Members were also advised of receipt of details of the Peter Scott Memorial Appeal to which the Town Council had been invited to send a donation, several books of raffle tickets had also been received, all of which were available in the office.

416 COMMUNITY CHARGE Members were advised that Practice Note number 23 entitled Students and the Community Charge had been received, and was available in the office.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk contact Councillor Nothard, Dartford Borough Council, suggesting public meetings be arranged, and leaflets distributed giving the people of this area detailed information regarding the Community Charge.

417 P.O.U.N.C. Members received a copy of the latest newsletter from the Post Office Users National Council.

NOTED

418 BYELAWS Members were advised that 3 sets of byelaws had been received from Dartford Borough Council which had been confirmed by the Secretary of State and come into force on November 1st, 1989. The byelaws relate to tattooing, acupuncture and ear piercing, and were all available in the office.

NOTED

419 TOWN COUNCIL'S BADGE Members received a copy of a letter from Mr C Bull, Reference Librarian seeking permission to use a variation of the Town Council's Badge on the cover of a leaflet he had written on the history of Swanscombe.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that the Town Council would be happy for Mr Bull to use the Town Council's Badge.

Councillor R A Francis left the Council Chamber.

420 ROAD NAMES FOR DEVELOPMENT Members were informed of a list of proposed road names that had been received for the two roads on the Leonard Avenue/Manor Road development.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that Members preferred Boleyn Way and Seymour Walk.

421 KENT TRUST FOR NATURE CONSERVATION Members were advised that the following had been received, and were available in the office.

Programme of Events - North West Kent Group;
Wildlife Poster Competition;
Newsletter;
Kent Wildlife Focus;
Autumn Edition of Natural World.

NOTED

422 N.A.L.C. Members were advised that Issue numbers 208 and 210 of the Direct Information Service had been received and were available in the office.

NOTED

423 ARROW RIDING CENTRE Members received a copy of the latest newsletter from the above-mentioned Centre.

NOTED

424 REMEMBRANCE SERVICE - DARTFORD BOROUGH COUNCIL Members were advised of a letter received from the Borough Council's Mayor's Secretary, inviting Members and their partners to the Remembrance Day Service and Parade on Sunday 12th November at Central Park at 10.50 a.m.

425 WAR MEMORIAL SWANSCOMBE PARK Members discussed the Remembrance Service for the Swanscombe and Greenhithe area this year.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk contact Rev. Mercer and the British Legion to obtain the details of this years Service.

426 HALF YEARLY FIGURES Members had received a copy of the Half Yearly Figures. After a lengthy discussion it was,

Councillor Mrs S East and Councillor
B E Read left the Council Chamber.

RECOMMENDED

That the revised estimate for security lighting in the sum of approximately £600 be accepted for Knockhall Road Changing Rooms.

The estimate for fencing the area around the War Memorial be accepted in the sum of £596.00

The post and rail fencing be continued around Broomfield Road Sports Ground at an approximate cost of £6,639.00 plus 'kissing gates' as required.

No additional finance available for the Leisure Centre.

427 DEPOSIT ACCOUNT Members were informed of the recent correspondence received from Barclays Bank concerning a High Interest Account and a Business Premium Account. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That providing the Town Council continue to have free banking facilities, the funds in the Deposit Account and Building Society could be transferred to the higher interest accounts.

428 LEISURE CENTRE BANK ACCOUNTS Members discussed the Leisure Centre bank account, and permission was given for this to be dealt with as necessary.

429 TOWN CLERK

RECOMMENDED

That Members appreciation towards the Clerk be recorded for her initiative in saving the Town Council approximately £1,000 in bank charges.

430 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members consideration :-

DA/89/0629/LBA Submission of details of boundary treatment pursuant to conditions 6 & 8 of listed building consent ref no DA/89/0629/LB for internal alterations and renovation of a listed building.

'Woodlands' 79 High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations

DA/89/0905 Erection of a part two storey, part single storey side extension. 97 Gunn Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations.

DA/89/0923/OUT Redevelopment of site to provide new Community Centre, 26 no. terraced houses, 16 no. flats and 16 no studio flats with associated car parking and access roads,

Knockhall County Primary School, Sweyne Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members object to this application because by virtue of its access would prove to be prejudicial to the environment and amenities of Alexander Road and Knockhall Road.

DA/89/0929 Renewal of temporary planning permission no. DA/88/0883 for the retention of a temporary warehouse building for a further period.

Units A1 and A2, Kent Kraft Industrial Estate, Galley Hill Road, Northfleet, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections.

DA/89/0857/B Revised siting details of plots 40-44, pursuant to previously approved plans ref DA/88/0857 for the development of land to provide 105 residential units.

Phase 1, Land South of Eagles Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations

Revised General Scheme of Operations: Minerals and Bulk Materials.

Members received details of the above mentioned proposals from Kent County Council.

OBSERVATIONS: Members had no comments to make.

The following Decision Notices were received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development :-

DA/89/ 0816 38 Trebble Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

DA/89/0834 Swanscombe Railway Station, High Street, Swanscombe, Kent.

The following Decision Notice was received from Dartford Borough Council refusing permission for development.

DA/89/0230/OUT 14 Ivy Villas, Station Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

Chairman



Income for August 1989

| | | | |
|-----------------|---------------------------|----------|-----------------|
| Parks | Football | 717.50 | |
| | Tennis | 56.10 | |
| | Bowls | 87.56 | |
| | Water heater | 10.00 | 871.16 |
| Community Halls | Grove | 123.29 | |
| | Church Road | 226.94 | 350.23 |
| Squash | Hire Fees | | 424.79 |
| Administration | Interest Building Society | 1,363.52 | |
| | V.A.T. Refund | 335.51 | 1,699.03 |
| | | | <u>3,345.21</u> |

Accounts Paid August 1989

| | | |
|--------------------------|--|-------------------|
| Dartford Portable | Tiles for S'combe Park Garage | 24.15 |
| Cash | Wages week 18 (Admin P.Cash £16.00) | 909.75 |
| Seeboard | Toilet Block S'combe Park A/C | 30.30 |
| Opportunities | Adverts Centre Supervisors | 207.00 |
| C.B.H.B & P | Legal Fees - Taunton Road Site | 173.00 |
| Betsham Station | Repairs & M.O.T. for Truck | 86.80 |
| D.B.C. | Quarterly Service Charge - Manor House | 900.00 |
| Mr Farley | Gang Mowing Services | 31.00 |
| D.B.C. | Quarterly all-night street lighting | 490.00 |
| S.E.L.A. | Handbook (Manual staff) | 4.00 |
| Cash | Wages week 19 (Admin Stamps £12.07) | 594.78 |
| Cash | Wages week 19 (Holiday pay Park Staff) | 107.47 |
| B&S Lawnmowers | Overhaul & Service Sisis Roller | 148.00 |
| A.E.Frost | Parks Equipment | 6.95 |
| Levercrest | Additional work in S'combe Park | 41.40 |
| Kentish Times Newspapers | Adverts for Parks Foreman | 253.58 |
| K.C.C. | Typewriter service | 23.80 |
| E.Doe & Sons | Parks equipment & Servicing Ransomes | 227.22 |
| North Kent Oil Ltd | July Diesel Account | 14.01 |
| Church Rd Garage | July Petrol Account | 26.65 |
| Sandhurst Marketing | Photo Copier Account | 39.16 |
| Inland Revenue | Tax & N.I. Contributions | 2,401.42 |
| Cash | Wages week 20 | 391.51 |
| Barclays Bank | Salaries (Admin & Centre) | 2,792.36 |
| G King | Park Attendant duties | 60.00 |
| Seeboard | St.Lighting (Energy & Maintenance) | 30.44 |
| Sunlock Blinds | Repairs to blinds at Grove Hall | 10.46 |
| Mr Farley | Gang Mowing Services | 57.60 |
| Mr Casselton | Gang Mowing Services | 31.00 |
| M.M.I Ltd | Premium payment (MV 17K313-0014) | 26.51 |
| Cash | Wages week 21 | 530.27 |
| Cash | Wages week 22 | 524.59 |
| | | <u>£11,195.18</u> |

Income for September 1989

| | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|--------|---------|
| Parks | Football | 219.30 | |
| | Tennis | 14.17 | |
| | Bowls | 33.04 | |
| | Water heater | 10.00 | 276.51 |
| Community Halls | Grove | 100.70 | |
| | Church Road | 105.35 | 206.05 |
| Squash | Hire Fees | 166.00 | |
| | Registration Fees | 7.00 | 173.00 |
| Allotments | Rents | | 23.70 |
| Administration | Use of Copier | | 4.70 |
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| | | | £683.96 |

Accounts paid September 1989

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| Z Webb | Work experience payment | 10.00 |
| Cash | Wages week 23 | 754.01 |
| Southern Water | B'field, Pavilion & Grove Hall A/C's | 217.29 |
| Thames Water | Accounts as above | 337.58 |
| Safety First Aid | Leisure Centre Equipment | 408.97 |
| Fun Time | Section 137 - Childrens entertainment | 180.00 |
| K.C.C. | Parks equipment | 64.30 |
| Milton Road Station | Petrol A/C | 10.01 |
| Elite Car Hire | Section 137 - Car Hire | 81.54 |
| Wickstead Leisure | Repairs to playground equipment | 11.44 |
| British Railways | St.Lighting | 0.50 |
| Kentish Times | Advertising Park Staff | 344.31 |
| Cash | Wages week 24 (Admin stamps) | 694.65 |
| G King | Park attendant duties | 55.00 |
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| N.K.W.News | Park attendant advert | 17.25 |
| Relf Kendall | Parks equipment | 78.20 |
| Church Rd Garage | Petrol A/c (August) | 28.50 |
| Inland Revenue | Tax & N.I. Contributions | 2,032.90 |
| W.H. Smith | Prizes for Schoolchildren (Section 137) | 30.00 |
| Newitt & Co | Equipment for Centre | 118.27 |
| Seeboard | Knockhall Sports Ground A/C | 12.81 |
| G King | Park attendant | 52.50 |
| Mrs Mitchell | Caretaker duties (Church Rd Hall) | 62.34 |
| Cash | Wages week 25 | 397.24 |
| Barclays Bank | Salaries (Admin & Centre) | 3,250.04 |
| Mr Farley | Gang Mowing Services | 12.40 |
| Seeboard | New Changing Rooms A/C | 6.78 |
| J P Lennard | Equipment for Centre | 509.36 |
| Inn Leisure Products | Equipment for Centre | 166.23 |
| A E Frost | Parks supplies | 13.06 |
| D.B.C. | Allotments Lease (Alkerden Lane) | 5.00 |
| Seeboard | St.Lighting (Energy & Maintenance) | 30.44 |
| T Hoadley | Park Attendant duties | 66.57 |
| Barclays Bank | Centre Salary | 361.34 |
| Cash | Wages week 26 | 442.13 |
| Mrs Mitchell | Caretaker duties | 43.34 |
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| | | £10,961.30 |

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at Manor House,
Swanscombe, on MONDAY 6th NOVEMBER 1989 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman
 Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith
 Cllr. A M Barham
 Cllr. M A Crosby
 Cllr. P S Crow
 Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
 Cllr. B E Read
 Cllr. R Simmonds

Also in attendance - Councillor's T V Dixon and B G Poppy.

431 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meetings held on 4th and 19th October were confirmed and signed.

432 FIRE EXIT Members were advised that work had commenced and should be completed by November 9th.

Councillor's Mrs D J Ash-Smith and
M A Crosby entered the Council Chamber.

433 CASH REGISTERS The Centre Manager reported that the cash registers had been installed and staff training had been completed satisfactorily. Members were advised of the data that could be provided from readings taken from these machines, as frequently as was considered necessary.

434 CHANGING ROOM CEILINGS Estimates had been requested for the cost of installing suspended ceilings.

435 EXTRA STORAGE Discussion took place concerning the most suitable location for a garage to be erected to provide additional storage.

RECOMMENDED

That a planning application be submitted.

436 BAR Members were advised that the bar and bar store had been fitted out by Courage Technical Services and the cooling system had been fitted.

437 GAMING MACHINES The Company which has provided a fruit machine would be responsible for the customs and excise licence and Members were advised that the Solicitors would arrange to obtain a Justice's Licence at the Licencing Session due to be held on December 1st.

438 CAMERA The Centre Manager reported that a polaroid camera had been purchased and had proved a great success, enabling membership photographs to be provided as required.

AMB

Councillor Mrs B A Halford entered the Council Chamber.

439 KITCHEN EQUIPMENT Reference Minute 395, Members were advised that the equipment had been leased from West Kent Supplies Ltd.

440 MEMBERSHIP It was reported that 348 memberships had been received to date.

441 CHRISTMAS LEAVE Following discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Leisure Centre should be closed on Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day. Events taking place on Christmas Eve to be arranged to allow the Centre to be closed at 6 p.m.

The Centre Manager to try and make arrangements for a children's event for Christmas Eve between 3 and 6 p.m. All Leisure Centre Staff to work, with leiu time being arranged.

442 NEW YEAR'S EVE It was agreed that, if possible, arrangements were to be made for a Family Evening, and an occasional licence to be applied for, as necessary.

443 ANNUAL ESTIMATES 1990/91 Members were asked to consider items for possible inclusion in the estimates for 1990/91.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be included on the next Agenda for this Committee and enquiries be made into the cost of clearing an area of land at the Heritage Park for a multi-purpose hard surfaced floodlit area.

444 COUNCIL CHAMBER FURNITURE Members were informed of a letter that had been received from Dartford Borough Council advising that the furniture could not be removed from the Council Chamber whilst the Community Health Council had use of the building.

NOTED.

445 INVICTA MEMORIAL The Clerk was requested to write to the Borough Council and ask for an item to be included on the Agenda of the Housing and Environmental Health Committee relating to the siting of the Memorial.

446 LEISURE CENTRE OPENING It was reported that ther had been a good response from the public on the first week-end of opening.

A vote of thanks was given to the 2 Supervisors who had delivered the leaflets around the area.

Councillor Crosby left the Council Chamber followed by Councillor Simmonds.

AMB

Further discussion took place regarding the football training that was being provided for a local school.

Councillor Mrs Ash-Smith and
Councillor T V Dixon left the
Council Chamber.

447 SUPERVISORS Members were concerned that staff on duty should be easily identified and it was agreed that the Manager should obtain track suit trousers and T shirts for the Recreation Supervisors.

Councillor Crow left the Council Chamber.

It was agreed that is necessary an emergency meeting would be called to discuss arrangements for the New Year's Eve Dance.

Councillor Read left the Council Chamber.

The Environmental Health Officer was to be notified that the Centre was now open to the public.

A vote of thanks was given to the Staff who had worked so hard to make the opening day of the Centre so successful.

The Clerk was asked to write to the Centre Manager expressing Members thanks for all the work he had put in to make the opening such a success.

Chairman.

AMB

MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at Manor House,
Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 9th NOVEMBER 1989 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. M A Crosby - Town Mayor Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
 Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. N Halford
 Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. B G Poppy
 Cllr. B R Francis Cllr. B E Read
 Cllr. P J French Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's M D Chater, P S Crow and P R Defty.

448 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 28th September 1989 be confirmed and signed.

449 REMEMBRANCE SERVICE Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the British Legion informing that the Remembrance Service would be held at the Stone Memorial on Sunday 12th November at 10.45 a.m.

Councillor B E Read entered
the Council Chamber

It was agreed that a poppy wreath should also be laid at the War Memorial in Swanscombe Park.

450 HARMER ROAD YOUTH CLUB Members were advised of a letter received from Club 84 concerning the Town Council's nominee for their Committee. After discussion, it was,

RESOLVED

That the Clerk reply suggesting that the Youth Club Committee submit a list of the qualities needed by persons wishing to be considered for this position.

451 TRANSFER OF LICENCE Members were advised of a transfer of Licence at The Railway Hotel Public House from James Edward Clowting to Keith Terrace Ford. Members had no objections to the transfer.

452 GREENHITHE LANDFILL COMMITTEE Members were advised of a letter received from Kent County Council, Planning Department informing that, due to staff shortages they were unable to arrange further site meetings. Members were also informed that Kent County Council had suggested that the Town Council take on the task of organising future meetings. After a lengthy discussion, it was,

RESOLVED

That the Clerk reply informing that the Town Council were not able to cope with any additional work and suggest that Biffa be responsible for the organisation of these meetings, and that they be run on a similar basis as the Northfleet Landfill Committee through Blue Circle. Copies to be sent to Dartford Borough Council - Environmental Services Officer.



453 KENT JOINT COMMITTEE FOR RAIL ACTION Members were advised of receipt of the latest newsletter regarding the rail link.

NOTED

454 KENT ASSOCIATION OF BOYS CLUBS Members were advised that an invitation had been received from the above mentioned Charity to a "school dinner" on 24th November at 12.30 p.m. at Parkwood, Maidstone to help raise funds.

NOTED

455 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs B A Halford.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th October 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

456 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor M A Crosby

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th October 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

457 RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor T V Dixon.

A proposal which was made for the wording of Minute 385 to be amended was lost.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th October 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

Councillor's B G Poppy, B E Read and R Simmonds asked for their votes for the above proposal (reference Minute 385) to be recorded.

458 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor T V Dixon

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 19th October 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

459 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs B A Halford

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 26th October 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

460 MANOR ROAD Reference Minute 407, Members again discussed the problems at Manor Road.



The Town Mayor Councillor M A Crosby adjourned the Meeting to allow members of the public to voice their opinions. Following a lengthy discussion, the Meeting was reconvened and it was

RESOLVED

That the Clerk write to the County Councillor responsible for Highways enclosing copies of all previous correspondence and surveyors reports, with copies to Councillor Nothard, Dartford Borough Council and Councillor M Lawrie.

461 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS The Town Mayor Councillor M A Crosby advised Members that he had visited Manor Road School to present the prizes to the children who had suggested road names for new developments in the area.

Members were asked to have their copies of the Kent Strategy Plans with them for the next Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting.

It was agreed that an Executive Committee Meeting would be held on Thursday 16th November at 7.45 p.m. at Manor House.

462 BOTTLE BANKS Reference Minute 401, Members again discussed the possibility of Bottle Banks in the area, and it was,

RESOLVED

That the Clerk inform Mr Collett - Dartford Borough Council that Members had decided to have a Bottle Bank in the Grove Car Park for a trial period. This item to be included on the next Town Council Agenda.

463 STORAGE FOR THE LEISURE CENTRE Members discussed the storage situation at the Centre, and it was,

RESOLVED

That two garages be erected in an appropriate position at the Craylands Lane Site for storage purposes.

464 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Application was submitted for Members consideration :-

DA/89/0843 (Rev) Revised layout and elevations.
9 Cobham Terrace, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members object to this application due to the access which is totally unsuitable and unsafe. If permission is granted Members request that a condition be added that the developers do not cause an obstruction on the pavement or highway.

The following Decision Notice was received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development :-

DA/89/0905 97 Gunn Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

465 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

466 STAFFING Members were informed that a member of the Park Staff had resigned.

Town Mayor.



MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe
on THURSDAY, 16th NOVEMBER 1989 at 7.45 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. M A Crosby - Town Mayor
Cllr. Mrs A E D Barham
Cllr. A M Barham
Cllr. M D Chater
Cllr. P R Defty
Cllr. N Halford

Also in attendance Councillor T V Dixon.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs S East and Mrs B A Halford.

467 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th October 1989 were confirmed and signed.

468 STAFFING Members were informed of the agreement that had been reached for the 1989/90 wage settlement for manual workers as advised by the N.J.C. for Local Authorities.

RECOMMENDED

That the increase be implemented with effect from 1st September 1989.

The London Weighting Allowance for Administration Staff be increased to £411 per annum with effect from 1st July 1989.

469 STAFF RESIGNATION Members were advised that the resignation of the full time Park Attendant had been accepted and that this position would be discussed with the Parks Foreman prior to advertising.

470 PARKS FOREMAN Members were advised of references that had been received for Mr Pearce and that he would commence employment with the Town Council on November 20th.

471 PARK ATTENDANT Members were advised of references that had been received and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That having considered the evidence to hand Members could see no reason why this person should not continue in the employment of the Town Council.

472 TOWN CLERK

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk's salary be increased to take into account the additional Staff employed, as recommended by the N.A.L.C. and Society of Local Council Clerks.

AM Barham

MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at the
CRAYLANDS LEISURE CENTRE, on THURSDAY, 23rd NOVEMBER 1989 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT :

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| | Cllr. M A Crosby - Chairman | |
| Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith | | Cllr. B R Francis |
| Cllr. Mrs A E D Barham | | Cllr. R A Francis |
| Cllr. A M Barham | | Cllr. P J French |
| Cllr. M D Chater | | Cllr. Mrs B A Halford |
| Cllr. P R Defty | | Cllr. N Halford |
| Cllr. T V Dixon | | Cllr. B G Poppy |
| Cllr. Mrs S East | | Cllr. B E Read |

473 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th October 1989 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor R Simmonds.

474 PARK FOREMAN'S REPORT Members were advised that motor cyclists were again causing problems at Broomfield Road Sports Ground and that the cricket square was still being vandalised.

Councillor P R Defty entered the Committee Room and apologised for being late.

475 BOWLING CLUB Members were advised that a verbal request had been received from the Club's Secretary for a site meeting to be arranged to discuss the work required to the wall surrounding No.1 green.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk contact the Bowling Club informing that Members were in agreement with a site meeting being held on a Sunday morning.

476 BROOMFIELD ROAD SPORTS GROUND Members were advised that permission had been received from Dartford Borough Council to erect kissing gates at each end of the footpath. Members were also advised that the cost of fencing the additional length of the field from Radburn Place to the rear of Orchard Road would be approximately £2,330 and a kissing gate would be needed leading to the playground from the footpath. After discussion, it was,


RECOMMENDED

That kissing gates be erected at either end of the footpath.

477 PUBLIC TOILET Members were advised that one of the electrical hand dryers had been damaged and that spares could not be obtained. Members were informed that a sturdy second hand dryer could be obtained from Darent Valley Electrical at a cost of £100 plus V.A.T.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk obtain the hand dryer from Darent Valley.



478 ANNUAL ESTIMATES Members were asked to advise of any items they would like to be considered for inclusion in the annual estimates for 1990/91.

RECOMMENDED

That the following items be considered for inclusion :-

- (a) £9,000 be included for the Heritage Park.
- (b) Complete the fencing at Broomfield Road.
- (c) Greenhithe Foreshore play area - equipment.
- (d) Craylands Lane Allotments - water supply.
- (e) Floodlit training area.
- (f) Churchyard steps repaired.
- (g) Park Terrace area - Greenhithe.

479 CHRISTMAS TREES Members were advised of last years arrangements regarding Christmas trees. After a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That three Christmas trees be purchased, one for Manor House, one for the Centre and one for the roof of the Chinese Restaurant.

480 RECREATIONAL FACILITY CHARGES Members had received a copy of the charges for 1989/90 and were asked to consider proposed increases for 1990/91. After a brief discussion, it was,

Councillor Mrs B A Halford
and Councillor N Halford
entered the Committee Room.

RECOMMENDED

That the Recreational Facility Charges for 1990/91 be increased overall by 8%.

481 CHRISTMAS LEAVE Discussion took place regarding Christmas leave for Park Staff.

RECOMMENDED

That the Park Staff finish work at lunch time on Friday 22nd December and the park gates to be opened on 25th and 26th December and January 1st.

482 CHURCHYARD STEPS Members were advised that a letter had been sent to the Parochial Church Council seeking financial assistance towards the cost of having the steps repaired.

483 LAND REAR OF TAUNTON ROAD Reference Minute 365, Members received a copy of the reply from Paper Sacks regarding leasing an area of their car park. Paper Sacks had been unable to assist the Town Council with their request. After a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That arrangements be made for the fence to be moved which would provide residents with enough room to turn their vehicles.



484 PUBLIC FOOTPATH SUB-COMMITTEE Members were advised of receipt of the Interim Report for October 1989 of the Public Footpaths Sub-Committee. The report was available in the office.

NOTED

485 FOOTPATH CRAYLANDS TO KNOCKHALL Reference Minute 376, Members were advised of the reply received from the Development Services Officer, Dartford Borough Council, informing that arrangements were in hand to clear the footpath, however, there were insufficient funds to carry out any re-surfacing work. A bid would be put to Kent County Council for funding in the next financial year. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to Dartford Borough Council informing that Members feel that the Rent Office should not be moved from Manor House to the Centre until such time as the footpath has been re-surfaced.
A request also to be put to Dartford Borough Council to surface the footpath between 79-81 Leonard Avenue.

486 KNOCKHALL CHANGING ROOMS Members were advised that the contractor had accepted the offer made by the Solicitor and a cheque would be forwarded. Recro Structures had requested full payment and the Solicitor was dealing with this matter.

NOTED

487 THE GROVE AND CHURCH ROAD HALLS Members were advised of a letter received from an Agency in Wallington, Surrey requesting use of the Grove and Church Road hall to provide English lessons for French students during 1990. The approximate dates would be April 1990 and the Summer term from July to August 1990.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until the Finance and General Purposes Meeting.

488 N.A.L.C. Members were advised that Issue number 212 of the Direct Information Service had been received and was available in the office. Members had received a copy of page 4 of this edition regarding an item entitled "Centenary of Parish Councils".

NOTED

489 INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION TALK Members were advised of an invitation to attend an educational talk on Wednesday 6th December at Paper Sacks at 6.30 p.m.

490 NATURE CONSERVANCY COUNCIL Members were advised that a key had now been received from the N.C.C. to unlock the gates to the Skull Site. The key was to be kept at the Centre.

Councillor B R Francis left
the Committee Room.

491 KENT COUNTRYSIDE STRATEGY Members had received a copy of the Kent Countryside Strategy Report.

NOTED



492 KENT PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY STRATEGY Members had received a copy of the above mentioned Report from Kent County Council. After a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk make observations regarding footpath DR15 Bean Road to Hedge Place Road, and the Craylands to Knockhall footpath.

493 GREENHITHE FORESHORE Following a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the playground area of the Foreshore be included in next years estimates.

494 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members consideration :-

DA/89/0979 Erection of a two storey detached building with storage area on ground floor and offices on first floor.

Builders Yard, Castle Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members request a Site Meeting.

DA/89/1003/ADV Erection of a free standing non-illuminated directional sign board.

Land at the south west corner of the junction of London Road and Bean Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members object to this application for the following reasons:

- (a) Sign board is too large.
- (b) They are just advertising a commercial enterprise.
- (c) Would prove to be a distraction.

DA/89/1004/ADV Erection of a free standing non-illuminated directional sign board.

Land at the north east corner of the junction of Bean Road and Watling Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: As for above Application.

DA/89/1010 Erection of an extension to existing industrial unit and construction of additional covered area.

Block D, Northfleet Ind.Estate, Lower Road, Northfleet, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections.

DA/89/1029 Erection of a single storey rear extension.

43 Sun Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No objections - providing neighbouring properties have been informed and have no objections.

DA/89/0147/A Revisions to previously approved plans DA/89/0147 for erection of 40 No. houses with associated garages. Revisions in respect of re-siting of plots 28-40.

Land at Alkerden Lane, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations.

DA/89/0147/B Submission of landscaping details pursuant to conditions (7) and (9) of planning permission ref DA/89/0147 for erection of 40 No. houses with associated garages.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations.



The following Decision Notices were received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development :-

- DA/89/0147 (Rev) Land at Alkerden Lane, Greenhithe, Kent.
DA/89/0238 (Rev) 34-40 Station Road, Greenhithe, Kent.
DA/89/0770 1 Knockhall Road, Greenhithe, Kent.
DA/89/0771/LB (Rev) 1 Knockhall Road, Greenhithe, Kent.
DA/89/0857/B (Rev) Phase 1, Land south of Eagles Road, Greenhithe, Kent.
DA/89/0897 41 Broomfield Road, Swanscombe, Kent.
DA/89/0902 Land adjoining Block F, Northfleet Ind.Estate, Lower Road, Northfleet.
DA/89/0929 Units A1 and A2, Kent Kraft Ind.Estate, Galley Hill Road, Northfleet.

The following Decision Notices were received from Dartford Borough Council refusing permission for development :-

- DA/89/0841 Land at 1 Broad Road, Swanscombe, Kent.
DA/89/0858 2 High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

495 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That the press and public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

496 SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE SPORTS ASSOCIATION Reference Minute 384, Members received a copy of the reply from Mr Howell, Secretary of the Association. After a lengthy discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that no reserve price had been set and the Town Council consider a rent of at least £8,000 per year to be reasonable.
If details of problems relating to the roof could be advised the question of responsibility could be investigated.

This item to be discussed at a meeting to be held on November 30th.



Chairman.

SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL

RECREATIONAL FACILITY CHARGES 1990/91

BOWLING GREENS

| | | | |
|------------|---------|-------|---------|
| No. 1 | £690.35 | No. 2 | £275.95 |
| Occasional | 0.65p | | |

CRICKET

| | | | |
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| Seasonal | £275.95 | Occasional | £ 16.65 |
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TENNIS 0.65p per hour per person

FOOTBALL

SWANSCOMBE

| | |
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| Season | £136.25 per Season including facilities for training. |
| Occasional | £ 10.30 |

KNOCKHALL

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| Season | £121.95 per Season including facilities for training. |
| Occasional | £ 8 60 |

SQUASH

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|------------------------------------|----------------------|
| Mon - Fri before 5pm and Sat & Sun | £ 1.40 per half hour |
| Mon - Fri after 5pm | £ 1.85 per half hour |

ALLOTMENTS £ 3.60 per 10 rod + 0.50p if water supplied.

COMMUNITY HALLS

GROVE HALL

| | |
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| Meetings | £ 2.45 per hour Regular Organisations |
| | £ 3.45 per hour Casual Bookings |
| Social Events | £ 4.60 per hour Mon - Fri |
| | £ 5.20 per hour Week-Ends |

CHURCH ROAD HALL

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|---------------|---------------------------------------|
| Meetings | £ 3.60 per hour Regular Organisations |
| | £ 4.60 per hour Casual Bookings |
| Social Events | £ 5.70 per hour Mon- Fri |
| | £ 6.30 per hour Week-Ends |

Use of Photo-Copier (for local organisations only).

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| A4 size | 7p per side |
| B4 size | 11p per side |
| A3 size | 15p per side |

50% Reduction for Unemployed, Senior Citizens and persons in full time education for certain recreational facilities only.

Where applicable V.A.T. has been included.

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on MONDAY, 27th NOVEMBER 1989 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman
Cllr. P S Crow
Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. B E Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs D J Ash-Smith, A M Barham M A Crosby and R Simmonds.

497 STAFFING Discussion took place regarding the staffing of the Centre and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Leisure Centre has 'Hands On' management and the staff rota system be re-drafted to include the Centre Manager in the shift system.

No member of the Leisure Centre Staff, employed outside of the bar area, to partake of alcohol whilst on duty. Disciplinary action would be taken if any member of the Leisure Centre Staff should be found to be under the influence of alcohol whilst on duty.

The Assistant Manager to be paid at overtime rate for fitness assessments dealt with outside of his normal shift rota, up to the end of December 1989.

No future staff appointments to be made without prior reference to the Leisure Centre Management Committee.

498 STANDING ORDERS It was

RECOMMENDED

That Standing Order number 1 (vi) be suspended for the duration of the Meeting.

99 USAGE OF CENTRE Details of numbers using the Centre for the first 10 days of operation were presented to Members.

Forthcoming events were to include children's fun club; karate; trampolining; table tennis; badminton; judo and volley-ball.

500 BAR FURNITURE Members were advised that a delay had occurred due to a fire at the factory and the furniture should arrive by November 30th.

RECOMMENDED

That the Staff use all possible means to ensure the furniture is delivered as soon as possible.

501 BAR CURTAINS Members discussed the need for curtains in the bar and it was

RECOMMENDED

A written estimate to be obtained for the curtains to be made and fitted for the 4 windows overlooking Craylands Lane and written confirmation of the order to be provided.

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502 PETTY CASH It was

RECOMMENDED

That the Bar Manager be provided with the sum of £25 for petty cash payments.

503 EQUIPMENT FOR FITNESS ROOM Following discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That the following items be obtained for the fitness room:

(a) Blood pressure guage; (b) Skinfold calipers; (c) Heart rate monitor.

504 KITCHEN AND BAR AREA

RECOMMENDED

That cupboard and drawer storage be provided for the kitchen, not exceeding the sum of £200. Arrangements to be made for an area of the bar to be suitably partitioned to allow children to be seated, at the discretion of the bar staff.

505 LICENSED VICTUALLERS ASSOCIATION The Chairman of the L.V.A. had invited the Town Council to become a Member of the Association and had made complimentary remarks about the Centre and wished the Town Council every success with this venture.

RECOMMENDED

That an application to join the L.V.A. be made in the name of the Leisure Centre.

506 SPORTS HALL CURTAINS Members were advised that the dividing curtains should be installed on 28th and 29th November.

507 FIRE EXIT It was reported that the extra fire exit had been completed and was awaiting inspection.

508 NATIONAL LEAGUE VOLLEYBALL A match had been arranged for November 25th between Spark and Speedwell, resulting in a successful evening and the possibility of further bookings.

Councillor P S Crow declared an interest in the next item.

509 SWANSCOMBE TIGERS After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That arrangements be made on a casual basis for junior football training to be available from 4.30 to 5.30 p.m. on Tuesdays for a trial period.

510 NEW YEAR'S EVE Members were advised that the Centre Manager had not been able to make the necessary arrangements for a dance to be held on New Year's Eve.

AMB

511 SUSPENDED CEILINGS Members were given details of 2 estimates that had been obtained for the ceilings of the public toilet areas.

RECOMMENDED

That the estimate from Harland Ceilings and Floors to be accepted in the sum of £490 plus V.A.T.

512 RECREATION SUPERVISORS Members were advised that a letter of congratulations had been sent to Alan Whetherly for obtaining a B.A. Honours Degree in Recreation and The Environment.

AMB .

Chairman.

MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at Manor House,
Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 7th DECEMBER 1989 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT :

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| Cllr. N Halford - Chairman | |
| Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith | Cllr. B R Francis |
| Cllr. M A Crosby | Cllr. P J French |
| Cllr. P R Defty | Cllr. B G Poppy |
| Cllr. T V Dixon | Cllr. B E Read |
| Cllr. Mrs S East | Cllr. R Simmonds |

513 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 26th October 1989 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's A M Barham, P S Crow, R A Francis and Mrs B A Halford.

Councillor B E Read informed Members that Councillor Crow had been taken ill and it was agreed that a letter be sent wishing him well.

514 INCOME FOR OCTOBER 1989 The Income for October 1989 amounting to £47,928.94 was received as set out in the annexed list.

515 ACCOUNTS PAID OCTOBER 1989 The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £37,443.60 had been paid during October 1989.

516 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT The Clerk informed Members of receipt of accounts for payment reference the War Memorial in Swanscombe Park totalling £5,700.94.

RECOMMENDED

That the accounts be paid.

517 ANNUAL ESTIMATES Members were asked to advise of any items they would like considered for possible inclusion in the estimates for 1990/91.

RECOMMENDED

That additional finance be made available for a floodlit training area at the Leisure Centre and this item to be included on the Recreation and Amenities Committee Agenda.

518 COMMUNITY HALLS Reference Minute 487, Members were again asked to consider the request received from an Agency in Wallington to hire the Grove and Church Road Hall during April, July and August next year, for French students to have English lessons.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that the Town Council approved of them having use of the Community Halls for this purpose.



519 MANOR ROAD, SWANSCOMBE Reference Minute 407, Members had received a copy of the reply from the Chief Executive, Dartford Borough Council. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that Members were of the opinion that a solution to the problems had still not been found and they would await the outcome of this situation.

520 ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXCAVATIONS - MANOR HOUSE Members had received a copy of a letter from the Dartford Archaeological Group informing that the excavations at Manor House had been completed.

NOTED

521 HARMER ROAD YOUTH CLUB Reference Minute 450, Members were advised of the reply received from Mr Reynolds regarding his Committees thoughts on the persons they were seeking to co-opt on to their Committee.

NOTED

522 BOOK ON GREENHITHE Members were advised that the Greenhithe Community Association had published a booklet called "Greenhithe 1989, Cuttings and Reflections" as a memorial to the late Councillor P G Melvin. The booklet was available from Mrs Vickers at a cost of £1.50.

523 KNOCKHALL CHASE LIAISON COMMITTEE Members were advised of a letter received from Kent County Council informing that they had written to Biffa suggesting they should be responsible for running the Liaison Committee but, to date, no response had been received from Biffa.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk also write to Biffa requesting a site meeting be held early in the New Year.

524 JUNCTION HIGH STREET/LONDON ROAD Reference Minute 370, Members were advised of a reply received from Dartford Borough Council informing that the last traffic count was carried out on Thursday 28th July 1983 during the hours of 0800-1000, 1230-1430, and 1530-1730. The letter also stated as previously advised, the figures produced were insignificant compared to the criteria set by the Department of Transport, and that the traffic flow would decrease once the road works on the A282 had been completed. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that Members were of the opinion that a pedestrian crossing was still needed in this vicinity, as more residents now have to cross the road to catch buses to Gravesend or return from Dartford, as fewer buses run through Swanscombe, and these facts should be taken into consideration.

525 BOWLS CLUB Members were advised of a request received for a site meeting to be held on Sunday 10th December at 10 a.m. Discussion also took place regarding the Bowling Club's fees for 1990/91.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that Sunday 10th December was not suitable for Members, and suggest a date be set early in the New Year.

526 KENT TRUST FOR NATURE CONSERVATION Members were advised of receipt of an appeal from the K.T.N.C. for financial assistance to help restore the listed building known as the Watch Tower at Oare Marshes Nature Reserve.

NOTED

527 N.A.L.C. Members were advised that issue numbers 211 and 213 of the Direct Information Service had been received and were available in the office. The following literature had also been received :

An invitation to subscribe to the Association for Neighbourhood Councils - £20 per annum.

Invitation to a course on 12th February entitled "Understanding Rights of Way".

NOTED

528 KENT REPORTS 1989 Members were advised that a copy of the County Council's Annual Report had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

529 TREES FOR KENT - STORM RECOVERY 1989/90 Members were advised of receipt of a letter from Kent County Council concerning details of landscape restoration and enhancement tree planting grants within Kent.

RECOMMENDED

That this information be given to the Parks Foreman.

530 CHILDREN'S SUMMER ENTERTAINMENT Reference Minute 374, Members had received a copy of the reply from Dartford Borough Council regarding the suggestion that the Town Council provide financial assistance towards additional entertainment. After a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that the Town Council would not now be contributing towards additional entertainment. Consideration would be given to increasing the number of performances as previously arranged by the Town Council.

531 SCHOOL GOVERNORS Members were advised that the Autumn 1989 copy of the bulletin for School Teachers and Governors had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

532 COMMUNITY CHARGE Members were advised that amendments to two practice notes had been received concerning Merchant Seamen and Foreign Diplomats and Visiting Forces, both were available in the office. Members had received a copy of a letter from the Borough's Director of Finance concerning the Community Charge.

NOTED

533 K.C.C. SURVEYORS ANNUAL REPORT Members were advised that a copy of the 88/89 Annual Report had been received from the County Surveyor and was available in the office.

NOTED



534 K.A.P.C. Members received a copy of issue number 165 of the Parish News and were advised of a seminar to be held on January 13th at Charing concerning the effect of the Community Charge on Parish Council Finance. The Chairman and Clerk were authorised to attend the seminar if it was thought necessary.

NOTED

535 NEW HOMES REVIEW Members were advised that a copy of the New Homes Review had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

536 WORLD WIDE FUND FOR NATURE Members were advised that an appeal for financial assistance had been received from the Director of W.W.F. to assist with the cost of fighting the poachers and bringing a halt to the destruction of wildlife habitats.

NOTED

537 REAR ACCESS - STANHOPE ROAD Members had received a copy of a letter from a local resident living in Stanhope Road concerning problems being experienced through motor cyclists and teenagers mis-using the rear access of private properties in the area. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to Mr Thrussell, Dartford Borough Council, and Gravesend Police enclosing copies of the letter and seeking their assistance. Copies of correspondence to be sent to the resident.

538 COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF RURAL ENGLAND Members were advised that the Autumn edition of the Countryside Campaigner had been received and was available in the office.

539 APPLICATION FOR AN OFF-LICENCE Members were advised that Mr & Mrs Stubberfield had made an application for an off-licence at 56/58 Swanscombe Street, Swanscombe.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write informing of Members full support for this application.

540 CHRISTMAS LEAVE - ADMINISTRATION STAFF Members discussed the Christmas leave arrangements for the administration staff, and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Council offices be closed at 1 p.m. on Friday 22nd December.

Councillor B R Francis left
the Council Chamber.

541 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members consideration :-

DA/89/1047 Siting of a temporary electricity generating unit.

Landfill Site Pit 11, Knockhall Chase, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members request a Site Meeting as they are totally unaware of what the situation is regarding this site.



Councillor P J French left the
Council Chamber.

DA/89/1070 Erection of a single storey rear extension.
4 Ivy Bower Close, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members are opposed to this application as permission has already been given for development of the adjoining land and this application would be overintensive use of the site.

DA/89/1072 Erection of 47 No.1 bed and 43 No. 2 bed flats, 8 No. 2 bed houses and 4 1 bed maisonettes together with ancillary parking provision, access roads and landscaping.

Land at The Wharf, High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members are strongly opposed to this application and are extremely concerned at the height and size of the proposed buildings, and the loss of river views.

Members also feel that the entire concept has changed from the original planning application, and there is no mention of a Town Square or Retail Outlets.

Site Meeting requested.

The following Decision Notices were received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development :

DA/89/0173/A 'The Arches' Mounts Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/89/0788 119-125 Milton Street, Swanscombe, Kent.

DA/89/0803
(Revised) 10 Cobham Terrace, Bean Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/89/0848
(Revised) 14 Broomfield Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

542 SWANSCOMBE SCHOOL Members received a copy of a letter that the Headmaster of Swanscombe School had sent to the Parents, regarding the possible closure of the School. Members were also advised of a meeting due to be held at the School on Thursday 14th December at 6.30 p.m. After a lengthy discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to Kent County Council Education Department with copies to Councillor Lawrie, R J Dunn M.P. and the Headmaster, Mr Halford, advising of Members concern regarding the rumours of the possible closure of the School.



543 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded form the remainder of the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

544 SPORTS PAVILION A lengthy discussion took place concerning the Sports Pavilion.

Chairman.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "M. Balhu". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M" and a long horizontal stroke.

INCOME FOR OCTOBER 1989

| | | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Parks | Tennis | 12.00 | |
| | Bowls | 8.49 | |
| | Water heater | 12.50 | 32.99 |
| Community Halls | Grove | 146.75 | |
| | Church Road | 207.31 | 354.06 |
| Squash | Hire fees | 363.11 | |
| | Registration fees | 21.00 | 384.11 |
| Administration | Use of copier | 1.57 | |
| | Precept | 46,479.00 | |
| | Insurance claim | 273.50 | |
| | Refund V.A.T. | 403.71 | 47,157.78 |
| | | | <hr/> |
| | | | <u>£47,928.94</u> |

Accounts Paid October 1989.

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|---------------------------|---|----------|
| Jornilleau | Centre equipment | 638.25 |
| B&S Mowers | Repairs to machinery Parks | 100.00 |
| Maestro Water Coolers | Centre equipment | 525.18 |
| Fishers | Leisure Centre - admin supplies | 21.93 |
| Top Office | Leisure Centre equipment | 326.54 |
| Betsham Station | Repairs to Van | 37.65 |
| Blue Circle | Allotment Rents | 36.24 |
| C.B.H.B&P | Re Knockhall Changing Rooms (Surveyors report) | 201.25 |
| Sandhurst | Copier account | 130.16 |
| Seeboard | Mess room & pavilion A/c's | 54.42 |
| D.M.C. | Repairs to Knockhall Changing Rooms (Insurance claim) | 314.52 |
| Cash | Wages week 27 | 808.18 |
| B&S Mowers | Machinery repairs | 40.00 |
| Sports Turf Main. | Parks equipment | 21.27 |
| Pinden Plant & Processing | Parks (skip hire) | 48.30 |
| Elite Car Hire | Senior Citizens A/C | 37.26 |
| A.D.Disposables | Centre supplies | 370.58 |
| Ernest Doe | Service etc. for Tractor | 810.27 |
| North Kent Oil | Diesel A/C | 10.00 |
| Southern Water | Park & Grove Hall A/C's | 310.38 |
| K.C.C. | Supplies for Admin, Centre, Halls & Parks | 512.23 |
| Cash | Wages week 28 (Centre Petty Cash £12.50) | 659.77 |
| Church Road Garage | Petrol A/C | 27.00 |
| Local Publications | Adverts for Park Attendant (week-ends) | 27.26 |
| Stocksigns | Signs for Centre | 39.93 |
| Mr Harris | Alterations to Bar (Centre) | 150.00 |
| D.B.C. | Quarterly all night St.Lighting | 490.00 |
| R.D.R. Automotive | Repairs to Trailer | 327.27 |
| North Kent Weekly | Adverts for week-end Park Attendant | 17.25 |
| Seeboard | St.Lighting (energy & maintenance) | 30.44 |
| Darent Valley | Floodlights for Mess Room area in Park | 259.42 |
| Rigby Taylor | Parks equipment | 451.83 |
| British Telecom | Admin and Parks accounts | 415.97 |
| Greenhithe Community | Donation (Section 137 - 1972 L.G.A.) | 2,650.00 |
| Occasions | Plants for Centre | 116.45 |

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MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at the Leisure Centre
Craylands Lane, Swanscombe on MONDAY, 18th DECEMBER, 1989 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman
Cllr. A M Barham
Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. R Simmonds.

In the absence of the Chairman Councillor Barham was elected to Chair the Meeting.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs D Ash-Smith and P S Crow.

545 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meetings held on November 6th and 27th were confirmed and signed.

Councillor N Halford entered and chaired the remainder of the Meeting.

546 ADVERTISING Members were advised that a full page advertising feature would be included in the local papers on December 28th and January 4th.

Councillor Mrs B A Halford entered the Meeting.

547 GAMING MACHINE LICENCE The Magistrates had granted the application for a gaming machine licence on December 1st and a machine had been installed at the Centre. The Town Council were to be invoiced for the £115.00 supplied by the Company to fill the machine.

548 ADVANCE OF DISCOUNT Members were advised that the Town Council should have received the cheque by December 20th.

549 BAR CURTAINS Members were advised that a written estimate had been accepted, in the sum of £181.00. The curtains were now made and would be fitted shortly.

550 SPORTS HALL CURTAINS It was reported that the curtains in the Sports Hall had now been installed.

551 KITCHEN EQUIPMENT LEASING The Bar Manager advised Members that equipment had been leased to the value of approximately £2,800 for the sum of £93.93 per month.

RECOMMENDED

That the Bar Manager obtain written estimates for both purchase and leasing of a glass washing machine. Costs for plumbing work to also be obtained.



552 NEW YEARS EVE It was agreed, that as no function had been arranged for New Year's Eve, the Centre could be closed at 6 p.m. and the Centre Manager would arrange for leave to be taken as necessary.

553 FLOODLIT TRAINING AREA Members were advised that enquiries were being made about the cost of providing an all weather floodlit area. The Sports Council had been approached regarding grants that might be available.

554 STORAGE BUILDING Estimates were being obtained for the cost of purchasing and erecting a garage for storage purposes.

A letter was to be sent to Dartford Borough Council seeking formal permission to erect the garage at the rear of the Centre.

555 NOTICEBOARDS AND SIGNS Noticeboards and signs had been delivered and the remainder had been ordered.

556 RECEPTION AREA-BARRIER The Manager was asked to write to the Architect regarding the possibility of a larger window being installed in the Cashier's office.

557 LEASE Members had received a copy of a letter received from the Town Council's Solicitor regarding queries that had been raised concerning the Lease.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk contact the Solicitor about the various points that were raised.

558 NAME OF CENTRE After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Town Council adopt the name of The Swanscombe Centre.

559 ESTIMATES 1990/91 Members were asked for items to be considered for inclusion in the estimates for 1990/91.

RECOMMENDED

That the following items be considered :-

Turnstile in reception area;
Glass-washing machine;
Convex mirror for reception area;
Cashier's window to be enlarged, and
Trampoline harness.

The Centre Manager to obtain costs for hiring a dance floor.

Councillor R Simmonds left the Meeting.

560 SWANSCOMBE MAN DISPLAY Members were advised that a letter had been received informing that a display would be installed in the foyer of the Centre.

NOTED.

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561 HERITAGE PARK The Borough Council had advised that they had not negotiated with Blue Circle for the lease of the land rear of the Centre but they had now contacted Blue Circle asking that they set out full terms for the lease of this area.

562 INVICTA MONUMENT Members were advised of correspondence that had been received concerning the future siting of the Monument.

NOTED

563 STAFFING Members were informed that one of the week-end receptionists would be leaving and another person had applied for the position.

A letter of resignation had been received from the Centre Manager giving a month's notice which would expire on January 26th, 1990.

564 EXCLUSION OF PRESS, PUBLIC AND STAFF It was,

RECOMMENDED

That the press, public and staff be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

565 CENTRE MANAGER The Clerk was asked to return to the Meeting and to act according to instructions.

Chairman.



MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at the
Leisure Centre, Craylands Lane, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 21st DECEMBER 1989 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. M A Crosby - Town Mayor
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith
Cllr. A M Barham
Cllr. P S Crow
Cllr. T V Dixon
Cllr. Mrs S East
Cllr. P J French
Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. N Halford
Cllr. B G Poppy
Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's M D Chater, P R Defty, B R Francis and R A Francis.

566 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 9th November 1989 be confirmed and signed.

567 SWANSCOMBE SCHOOL Members were advised of a letter received from Mrs Ball informing of a public meeting on Thursday 11th January 1990 at 7 p.m. at the school to discuss the possibility of the school closing.

Councillor R Simmonds entered the Meeting.

After a brief discussion, it was,

RESOLVED

That the date for the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting be changed to Wednesday 10th January to allow Members to attend the school meeting on Thursday, 11th January, 1990.

568 TRANSFER OF LICENCE Members were advised of a proposed transfer of Licence for the Railway Hotel, Greenhithe to Mr Keith Terrace Ford.

569 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor A M Barham

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 6th November 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

570 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Moved By Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor R Simmonds

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 16th November 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.



571 RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor M A Crosby

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd November 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

572 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor P S Crow and seconded by Councillor N Halford

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 27th November, 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

573 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs B A Halford

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th December 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

574 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor A M Barham

RESOLVED

That with the exception of Minute numbers 558 and 565, the Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th December 1989 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

575 NAME OF CENTRE Reference Minute 558, the proposal made by the Leisure Centre Management Committee for the Centre to be known as the Swanscombe Centre was discussed at length. The vote was against the proposal and it was referred back to the Committee.

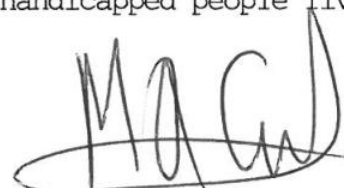
576 SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE SPORTS ASSOCIATION Councillor N Halford informed Members that he had not attended the recent meeting of the Sports Association as he had not been notified of the date. Members were also advised of the poor quality of the Minutes from previous meetings. After a brief discussion, it was,

RESOLVED

That the Clerk write to the Secretary of the Association requesting sufficient notice be given for dates of future meetings and, that the Minutes be presented in a readable fashion.

Councillor Mrs S East entered the Meeting and apologised for being late.

577 GRAVESEND AND DISTRICT SOCIETY FOR MENTALLY HANDICAPPED Councillor Mrs Ash-Smith informed Members that she had recently attended the Societies Annual General Meeting where concern was expressed regarding the Poll Tax and handicapped people living at home .



578 SWANSCOMBE SCHOOL Councillor M A Crosby informed Members that he had recently attended a meeting regarding the rumours concerning the possible closure of the School. An Action Committee had been formed, and the next public meeting was to be held at the School on Thursday, 11th January 1990.

579 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS The Town Mayor, Councillor M A Crosby informed Members that he had been to the School pantomime which was most enjoyable. Members were also informed of the recent death of Lord Sidney Irving.

RESOLVED

That a letter of condolence be sent to Lady Irving.

580 CASUAL VACANCY Members were informed of a Casual Vacancy due to A R Armstrong failing to attend meetings for six consecutive months.

581 BOTTLE BANKS Members discussed Bottle Banks at the Grove Car Park and, it was,

RESOLVED

That the Clerk write to K.Follett, Dartford Borough Council informing that the Town Council would like a bottle and a paper bank at the Grove Car Park and enquiring about sponsorship of the banks to assist with fund raising for charity.

582 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Member's consideration :-

DA/89/1082/OUT Redevelopment of site to provide 3364 Sq.M of office space, 628 Sq.M light industrial, and 336 Sq.M retail space with associated car parking and access roads.

Land at the Wharf, High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members are very concerned that the entire concept of the original plan 'Prospects for Greenhithe' has been lost.

Site Meeting requested.

DA/89/0341/A Submission of details of a lake and nature conservation area pursuant to condition (XI) A&B of planning ref DA/86/0341 for the winning and working of chalk.

Eastern Quarry, Watling Street, Swanscombe Kent.

OBSERVATIONS This Planning Application was to be determined by Kent County Council - Members had no comments to make at this stage.

The following Decision Notices had been received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development :-

DA/89/1010 Block D, Northfleet Ind.Est, Lower Road, Northfleet, Kent.

DA/89/1029 48 Sun Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

DA/89/0756 (Rev) 1 London Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/89/0843 (Rev) 9 Cobham Terrace, Bean Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/89/0883 (Rev) 1 London Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/89/0898 (Rev) Land South of High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.



The following Decision Notice had been received from Dartford Borough Council refusing permission for developmnet :-

DA/89/0979 Builders Yard, Castle Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

583 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

584 CENTRE MANAGER Reference Minute 565, Members discussed the current situation regarding the Manager, and it was,

RESOLVED

That the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Leisure Centre Management Committee should meet the Manager as a matter of urgency and a Leisure Centre Management Committee Meeting be arranged as soon as possible following their meeting.

585 SPORTS PAVILION Members discussed the Pavilion and were advised that the date for the next meeting was 17th January, 1990.

RESOLVED

That this item be included on the next Town Council Agenda.

Town Mayor.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'MAW', written over a horizontal line.

MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY 4th JANUARY 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT :

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| | Cllr. M A Crosby - Chairman | |
| Cllr. Mrs D Ash-Smith | | Cllr. B R Francis |
| Cllr. P S Crow | | Cllr. N Halford |
| Cllr. P R Defty | | Cllr. B G Poppy |
| Cllr. T V Dixon | | Cllr. B E Read |
| Cllr. P J French | | Cllr. R Simmonds |

586 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd November 1989 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's M D Chater and Mrs S East.

587 PARK FOREMAN'S REPORT Members were advised of the problems being experienced regarding the football teams at Broomfield Road not locking the tractor shed or returning the key, and that letters had been sent to the teams seeking their co-operation.

Members were also advised that the seating area at Knockhall was in need of replanting possibly with shrubs, rose trees and some perennial plants, and that a proposal had been made that two new beds be cut to replace the ones at either end of the area. The dead trees at the entrance to Swanscombe Park needed replacing and a request had been received from the Parks Foreman to establish a small coppice of native trees in an unused corner next to the tennis courts. Members were advised that most of the machinery had been converted to lead free petrol and serviced. Motor cyclists were still causing problems at Broomfield, and repairs to seats and benches were to be undertaken within the next few weeks.

RECOMMENDED

That the Park Staff go ahead with the proposals for Knockhall seating area and Swanscombe Park.

Councillor R Simmonds entered the Council Chamber and apologised for being late.

588 ANNUAL BOWLS MATCH Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the Bowls Club offering Sunday 29th July as the date for the annual match.

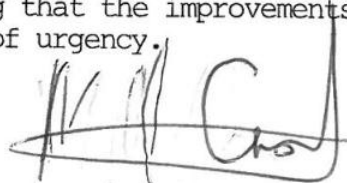
RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply accepting the proposed date.

589 FOOTPATH DS6 - CRAYLANDS TO KNOCKHALL Reference Minutes 485 and 492, Members had received copies of the reply from Dartford Borough Council regarding the above mentioned footpath. After a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk contact Seeboard requesting that the improvements to the lighting along this footpath be carried out as a matter of urgency.



590 MANOR ROAD, SWANSCOMBE Members had received copies of the letter from Mr Thrussell, Environmental Services Officer, and a copy of his notes regarding the meeting held on 24th October, 1989.

NOTED

Councillor B E Read entered the Council Chamber.

591 CHURCHYARD STEPS Members were advised that a letter agreeing to the repair of the steps had been received from the Diocese of Rochester. Members were also informed of receipt of a letter from Dartford Borough Council advising that the Planning Committee had resolved to offer a grant of £550 towards the cost of repairing the steps as per the specification provided by R.Ewles. Members were informed that a donation of £100 was to be made by the Parochial Church Council, and Members had received a copy of the letter from Rev. Mercer. After a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the estimate received from Mr Ewles be accepted, and the items referred to in Rev.Mercer's letter be included at the next Town Council Meeting.

592 LAND REAR OF TAUNTON ROAD - FENCE Reference Minute 483, Members were advised that a revised estimate had been received to remove the gates and fence and re-erect allowing for new posts and an additional 4M of fencing, in the sum of £956 plus V.A.T.

RECOMMENDED

That the revised estimate be accepted and the Clerk to write to the residents of Taunton Road explaining the situation regarding this piece of land.

593 SWANSCOMBE SCHOOL Members were informed of a public meeting to be held at the School on Thursday 11th January at 7.30 p.m. and that a reply had been received from Kent County Council acknowledging the Town Council's concern at the rumours regarding the possible closure of the School, and informing that a full response would be forwarded in due course.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk inform all County Councillor's serving on Dartford Borough Council of the meeting and requesting their support.

594 SEASON TICKET LOAN Members were advised of a request received from a member of the Leisure Centre Staff for a season ticket loan.


RECOMMENDED

That this item be referred to the Leisure Centre Management Committee.

595 ALLOTMENTS Members were advised that a letter had been received from Blue Circle informing that, as a rent review had not been carried out since 1975, it had been proposed that the rent be increased to £750 per annum with effect from 29th September 1990 for the Castlefields Site.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk contact Blue Circle again requesting a meeting with the Town Council to discuss this and other items affecting the Town Council



596 N.A.L.C. Members were advised that issue number 214 of the Direct Information Service had been received together with the winter edition of the Local Council Review, both were available in the office.

NOTED

597 KENT RURAL COMMUNITY COUNCIL Members were advised that the winter edition of Oast to Coast had been received together with the following :

Entry form for the Village Ventures Competition.
Village Hall newsletter dated September 1989, and details of insurance options.
Newsletter from N.A.L.C. entitled 'Nationwide Action needed to defeat Litterbugs'.

NOTED

598 CENTRE NAME Members were given a copy of a letter received from Dartford Borough Council regarding the name of the Centre. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk contact the Town Council's solicitors informing them of the situation and advise that the Town Council would cease using the name Craylands Leisure Centre once the Lease had been signed.

Councillor B R Francis entered the Council Chamber and apologised for being late.

599 IRVING WALK - SERVICE ROAD Discussion took place regarding the bad condition of the service road between Irving Walk and Leonard Avenue, and it was,

Councillor N Halford entered the Council Chamber.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to Dartford Borough Council informing them of the state of this service road requesting they take immediate action.

600 FLOODLIT TRAINING AREA Discussion took place regarding the possibility of a floodlit training area to the rear of the Centre.

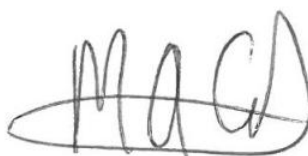
RECOMMENDED

That detailed estimates be obtained for the project to be given further consideration.

601 LEISURE CENTRE Discussion took place regarding the Town Mayor's reception being held at the Centre and the problems with the flooring. The Town Mayor, Councillor M A Crosby requested that the Leisure Centre Management Committee give serious consideration to this now, urgent problem.

602 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Application was submitted for Members consideration :-

DA/89/714 Biffa Waste Disposal Site, Knockhall Chase, Greenhithe, Kent.
Proposed parking and landscaping details.
OBSERVATIONS: Site Meeting requested.



MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at Manor House,
Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 4th JANUARY 1990 at 8.30 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman Cllr. P S Crow
 Cllr. Mrs D Ash-Smith Cllr. B E Read
 Cllr. M A Crosby Cllr. R Simmonds

Also in attendance were Councillor's P R Defty, T V Dixon, B R Francis, R A Francis and B G Poppy.

603 STANDING ORDERS It was

RECOMMENDED

That Standing Order number 1(vi) be suspended for the duration of the Meeting.

Councillor R A Francis entered the
Council Chamber.

604 FLOOR OF SPORTS HALL The problems of the type of floor - limiting use of the hall, were discussed.

605 SEASON TICKET FOR RAIL TRAVEL Following a discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

The Town Council offer to purchase a quarterly ticket for a member of the Leisure Centre Staff, with arrangements to be made for the loan to be repaid over a period of 3 months. Consideration to be given to a further loan in 3 months time.

606 STAFFING After a lengthy discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a letter be sent to the Centre Manager, refusing, without reservation to accept his resignation and advising that Members of the Committee would expect, that as Manager, he would bring to the attention of the Chairman or Vice Chairman of the Committee, any problems that would impede his position as Manager of the Centre.

Chairman.



MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at Manor House,
Swanscombe on WEDNESDAY 10th JANUARY 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman Cllr. Mrs S East
Cllr. M A Crosby Cllr. P J French
Cllr. P R Defty Cllr. B G Poppy
Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. R Simmonds

607 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th December 1989 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs D Ash-Smith, M D Chater, P S Crow, Mrs B A Halford and B E Read.

Councillor's M A Crosby and Mrs S East entered the Council Chamber.

608 INCOME FOR NOVEMBER 1989 The Income for November 1989 amounting to £8,767.75 was received as set out in the annexed list.

609 ACCOUNTS PAID The Clerk reported that Accounts amounting to £40,379.19 had been paid during November 1989.

610 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT Members were informed that the following accounts had been received for payment :-

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|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Performing Rights Society | - Licence | £ 148.38 |
| C.B.H.B&P Solicitors | - Licence and Gaming Machine Licence | £ 185.00 |
| C.B.H.B&P Solicitors | - Vandalism at Knockhall (letters) | £ 75.00 |
| D.M.C. Ltd | - Back bar alterations & finishing | £1,485.00 |
| J.M.C. Ltd | - Bar furniture | £7,052.50 |
| Keyboard Player | - Charity event at Centre | £ 40.00 |

RECOMMENDED

That all of the above listed accounts be paid.

611 COMMUNITY CHARGE Reference Minute 416, Members had received a copy of the reply from Councillor Nothard, Dartford Borough Council, regarding the request for public meetings to be held explaining the poll tax.

NOTED

612 JUNCTION HIGH STREET/LONDON ROAD SWANSCOMBE Reference Minute 524, Members had received a copy of the reply from the Development Services Officer together with a copy of a letter sent to Councillor Mrs D Ash-Smith.

NOTED



613 PRECEPT 1990 Members were advised of a letter received from the Financial Services Officer, Dartford Borough Council, informing that the Borough Council were proposing to pay the Town Council precept for 1990/91 in two instalments - 50% on 30th April and 50% on 28th September, 1990. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply requesting that the payment be made in one instalment at the beginning of the financial year, on a similar basis to Swanley Town Council's payments from Sevenoaks Council.

614 BOTTLE BANKS Members were advised of a letter received from the Development Services Officer regarding the Town Council's decision to have a glass and paper bank at the Grove Car Park. The letter informed that there would be a delay due to the difficulty in ordering a new bottle bank and financing it, and the downturn in rates being paid by Paper Mills would delay the paper bank.

615 KNOCKHALL CHASE LIAISON COMMITTEE Members were advised of a letter received from Biffa regarding the Liaison Committee meetings, and that Biffa had advised the Town Council they would shortly be arranging a date for a Committee meeting and would keep the Council informed.

616 COMMUNITY CHARGE Members were advised that a copy of the Practice Note referring to discretionary rate relief had been received and was available in the office, together with Practice Note number 25.

NOTED

617 K.C.C. SUPERANNUATION FUND Members were advised that a copy of the audited accounts for the year ending 31st March 1989 had been received and were available in the office.

NOTED

618 RAIL TIMETABLE MAY 1990 Members received copies of the summary of changes to rail services from May 1990.

NOTED

619 WORLD WIDE FUND FOR NATURE Members were advised of receipt of an appeal for financial assistance to assist the campaign against the slaughter of endangered animals by poachers.

NOTED

620 COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF RURAL ENGLAND Members were advised that the autumn/winter edition of the Kent branch newsletter had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

621 KENT STRUCTURE PLAN Members were advised of receipt of a letter from Kent County Council's Planning Officer informing that further modifications had now been proposed by the Secretary of State for the Environment, together with relevant press notices which set out where the proposals could be viewed.

NOTED



622 PARISH LIAISON GROUP Members were advised of a letter received from the Director of Administration, Dartford Borough Council, informing that the meeting due to be held on 18th January had been cancelled and that a new date would be arranged in due course.

NOTED

623 PUBLIC TRANSPORT CONSULTATIVE SUB-COMMITTEE Members were advised of a letter received from the Legal Services Officer, Dartford Borough Council, informing that the next meeting of the above mentioned Committee would be Wednesday 7th March at 7 p.m. After a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply requesting an item be included on the Agenda regarding the lack of a bus service at Knockhall.

624 BRITISH PENSIONERS TRADE UNION ASSOCIATION Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the above mentioned organisation seeking financial assistance.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be included on the next Finance and General Purposes Agenda.

625 ANNUAL ESTIMATES Members discussed the estimates for 1990/91, and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the draft estimates be approved.

A vote of thanks was given to the Chairman and Clerk for their efforts in preparing the estimates.

626 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Application was submitted for Member's consideration :-

DA/89/1121 Erection of a 2M high close boarded boundary fence.
 'The Rectory' Manor Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections.

627 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Members were advised that the next meeting of the above mentioned Committee would be held on Monday January 15th, at 8 p.m.

Chairman



Income for November 1989

| | | | |
|-----------------|---------------------------|----------|------------------|
| Parks | Football | 60.00 | |
| | Tennis | 5.22 | |
| | Water Heater | 12.50 | 77.72 |
| Community Halls | Grove | 120.96 | |
| | Church Road | 82.14 | |
| | Sports Pavilion | 750.00 | 953.10 |
| Squash | Hire Fees | 623.82 | |
| | Registration Fees | 3.00 | 626.82 |
| Administration | Use of Copier | 1.30 | |
| | Building Society Interest | 1,241.26 | |
| | Insurance Claim | 179.00 | 1,421.56 |
| Leisure Centre | Bar | 2,567.59 | |
| | Bar Food | 125.72 | |
| | Membership and admission | 1,156.54 | |
| | Table Tennis | 140.87 | |
| | Badminton | 293.90 | |
| | Football | 224.35 | |
| | Bowls | 86.53 | |
| | Fitness Room | 779.12 | |
| | Sale of equipment | 46.61 | |
| | Aerobics | 147.83 | |
| | Short Tennis | 13.05 | |
| | Hall Hire (Volleyball) | 62.61 | |
| | Video machine | 38.70 | |
| | Misc. | 5.13 | |
| | | | <u>5,688.55</u> |
| | | | <u>£8,767.75</u> |

Accounts Paid November 1989

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| Sports Turf Maintenance | Grass Seed Mixture | 62.00 |
| S.R. Jenkins | Church Road Hall (Window cleaning 6 months) | 26.00 |
| Sandhurst | Photo Copier A/C (Old machine) | 35.40 |
| British Gas | Grove Hall A/C | 37.64 |
| Peat Marwick McLintock | Audit Fees (Y/E 31.3.89) | 264.50 |
| Auto & Audio Services | Hire of Mobile Phone (Centre) | 71.01 |
| Essex Business Forms | Membership Cards for Centre | 553.73 |
| Kent County Council | Leisure Centre equipment | 31.50 |
| R R Reynolds | Parts & Service for brush cutters | 112.07 |
| Cash | Wages week 31 | 712.46 |
| Boots the Chemist | Camera +Films for Centre | 237.86 |
| Hillsden Securities | Deposit for Leasing Kitchen equipment | 108.02 |
| C.B.H.B&P Solicitors | Legal Fees re Licensing of Centre | 1,841.61 |
| Hillsden Securities | 2 months re leasing kitchen equipment | 216.04 |
| A E Frost | Park supplies | 35.50 |
| Ghinn Signs | Posters for Centre | 86.25 |
| North Kent Oil | Diesel A/C (Oct) | 20.00 |
| Thames Water | Leisure Centre A/C | 72.63 |
| Sports Turf Maintenance | Park supplies | 886.63 |
| Church Road Garage | Petrol A/C (Oct) | 44.00 |

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Accounts Paid November (cont'd)

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| Kent County Council | Admin supplies - Centre | 54.72 |
| Continental Sports | Trampolines, Volleyball & Badminton Posts | 5,134.75 |
| Data Systems Ltd | 2 Cash Registers & Till Rolls | 1,319.05 |
| Universal Gym Co Ltd | Aero Bike (Fitness Room) | 2,065.40 |
| Sport Engineering Ltd | Underlay for Powerjog (Fitness Room) | 40.25 |
| Elite Car Hire | Re: Senior Citizens A/C | 33.12 |
| R D R Automotive | Repairs to truck (insurance claim) | 234.60 |
| Cash | Wages week 32 (Admin stamps £11.90) | 414.69 |
| Inland Revenue | Tax & N.I. Contributions | 3,302.44 |
| St.Johns Ambulance | Donation (Section 137) | 50.00 |
| Leisure Centre | Petty Cash | 25.00 |
| Boots the Chemist | Additional films for Camera | 79.95 |
| Sports Turf Maintenance | Parks materials | 43.70 |
| Fishers | Admin & Centre supplies | 70.76 |
| R R Reynolds | Parts etc for Autocertes | 139.04 |
| Crystal Cleaning | Cleaning materials for Centre | 72.91 |
| Kent County Council | Park, Centre and Admin supplies | 147.08 |
| G L Imprint | Leaflets for Centre | 166.75 |
| Williams Sports | Equipment for Centre (Geemats & Trolley) | 1,968.40 |
| Tewitt & Co | Dumbbells for Fitness Room | 397.90 |
| Contract Refrigeration | Fridge/Freezer for Kitchen | 387.70 |
| Mr J Doherty | Plumbing & Electrical work at Centre | 358.16 |
| British Telecom | Phone A/C's (Rental etc for Centre lines) | 305.78 |
| Robert L Huggett | Printing for Centre (Advertising) | 134.00 |
| Cash | Wages week 33 (Centre Petty Cash £25) | 544.51 |
| G H J Installations | Rectify height of roundabout (S'combe Park) | 920.00 |
| Occasions | Wreath (Nicholas Taylor) | 15.00 |
| Prontaprint | Additional Membership Cards (Centre) | 71.30 |
| Kent County Council | Equipment for Centre | 9.35 |
| Fishers | Equipment for Admin | 11.68 |
| Seeboard | St.Lighting | 30.44 |
| Seeboard | Church Road Hall A/C | 35.26 |
| M M I Ltd | Additional Premium to Policy | 203.66 |
| Betsham Service Station | Parts for Bedford Van | 32.20 |
| Dart Force | Bedding Plants | 246.35 |
| West Kent Supplies | Supplies for Centre Bar | 525.64 |
| R R Reynolds | Service for 18" and 21" Hayters | 290.99 |
| D M C | Mirrors for Fitness Room | 1,043.59 |
| Initial Textiles | Cleaning service (Reception mats at Centre) | 32.21 |
| Barclays Bank | Salaries (Admin & Centre) | 6,691.80 |
| Cash | Wages week 34 | 519.63 |
| Bella Jones | Aerobics Coach | 55.00 |
| G & S Contractors | Providing base etc for Knockhall Changing Rooms | 4,035.58 |
| Sports Association | 45% Squash takings to 30.9.89 | 1,054.23 |
| Mrs Rayfield | Donation to retiring K A P C Secretary (Section 137) | 20.00 |
| Cash | Wages week 35 (Bar Petty Cash £25) | 1,053.34 |
| Barclays Bank | Part salary (Foreman) | 192.98 |
| Bella Jones | Aerobics Coach | 12.75 |
| Bowen & Simmons Ltd | Bar food | 8.30 |
| R D R Automotive | Tyres for Truck | 119.60 |
| David Keller | Bakers A/C for Centre Kitchen | 35.81 |
| Creeves Butchers | Meat A/C for Centre Kitchen | 109.14 |
| R Allen | Vegetable A/C for Centre Kitchen | 17.85 |
| Coffeetime | Supplies for Kitchen | 40.00 |

£40,379.19

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at Manor House,
Swanscombe, on MONDAY 15th JANUARY 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman
Cllr. Mrs D Ash-Smith
Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. R Simmonds

Councillor T V Dixon was also in attendance.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's M A Crosby and A M Barham.

628 COURAGE BREWERIES A cheque for advance of discount in the sum of £10,000 had been received alongwith an Agreement which would be signed at the Meeting of the Town Council.

629 FLOODLIT TRAINING AREA The Sports Council had been approached regarding the possibility of a grant towards the cost of providing an all-weather floodlit pitch and estimates would be obtained.

630 CHANGING ROOM CEILINGS Members were advised that the suspended ceilings had been installed in the changing rooms.

631 PUBLIC TELEPHONE Members were advised that the public telephone had now been installed.

632 RECEPTION WINDOW The possibility of having a larger window in the receptionist's area was to be investigated.

633 MECHANICAL PROBLEMS The Centre Manager reported on problems that had occurred regarding water pipes leaking and the lift breaking down.

634 HALL FLOOR Discussion took place regarding the suitability of the floor for dances and the risk of the existing floor being burnt with cigarettes.

RECOMMENDED

That the Centre Manager be asked to find a solution to the problem of the flooring - to a maximum cost of £5,000.

635 STORAGE UNIT Estimate's had been obtained for concrete garages and after discussion it was agreed that further estimates be obtained for steel security units.

636 WEEK END RECEPTIONIST It was reported that a vacancy existed for a week-end receptionist to cover the evening period.

RECOMMENDED

That this position be filled.

637 BAR STAFF Following a discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That no persons apart from Centre Staff are allowed to be behind the Bar of the Centre.

638 LEASE Following a discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a letter be sent to the Borough Council regarding the name of the Centre.

639 ADVERTISING Discussion took place about future advertising.

Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'M. J. H.', is written over the 'Chairman' text.

MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at Manor House
Swanscombe, on THURSDAY 25th JANUARY 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT :

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| Cllr. M A Crosby - Town Mayor | Cllr. T V Dixon |
| Cllr. Mrs D Ash-Smith | Cllr. R A Francis |
| Cllr. A M Barham | Cllr. N Halford |
| Cllr. M D Chater | Cllr. B G Poppy |
| Cllr. P S Crow | Cllr. B E Read |
| Cllr. P R Defty | Cllr. R Simmonds |

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, B R Francis, P J French and Mrs B A Halford.

640 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st December, 1989 be confirmed and signed.

641 BLUE CIRCLE Members were advised that Mr Dornan from Blue Circle had suggested Thursday, 1st February at 4 p.m. for a meeting to discuss several points concerning the Town Council, after a brief discussion, it was

RESOLVED

That the Clerk inform Mr Dornan that 4 p.m. was not suitable for Members and suggest that the meeting be held at 7 p.m.

Councillor T V Dixon entered the
Council Chamber.

642 GREENHITHE LANDFILL Members were informed that a site meeting had been arranged by Kent County Council to discuss the planning application for a generator at the Biffa site for Wednesday, 14th February at 3.30 p.m. Biffa had also suggested a liaison committee meeting be held at the same time. After discussion, it was,

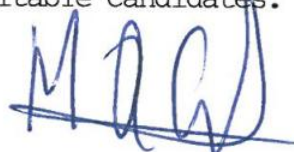
Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith entered
the Council Chamber

RESOLVED

That the Clerk inform Biffa that Members did not think it advisable to have a liaison meeting at the same time as a planning meeting, therefore request that another date be set as soon as possible for a liaison meeting.

Councillor M D Chater entered the
Council Chamber

643 PARK ATTENDANT Members were informed that the position of Park Attendant was again being advertised with a closing date of 8th February, following which an Executive Committee Meeting would be arranged to select suitable candidates.



Councillor B E Read entered the Council Chamber and apologised for being late.

644 LEISURE CENTRE Members were informed that problems had arisen due to the adverse weather conditions and the Centre had been closed from 2 p.m. that afternoon.

645 BYE ELECTION Members were advised that Dartford Borough Council had informed the Clerk that the Election date had been set for 8th March, 1990.

646 MANOR HOUSE Members were advised of a letter received from the Legal Services Officer at Dartford Borough Council, informing that unless the Town Council provided the Borough Council with a date for vacating Manor House, within 14 days, an application would be lodged with the Courts. After a lengthy discussion, it was,

RESOLVED

That the Clerk contact the Town Council's Solicitors instructing them to contact Baily & Goff, who would be able to provide the relevant information required to continue to act on behalf of the Town Council. The Clerk also to instruct the Solicitors to reply to the Borough Council informing that the Town Council would be prepared to move once a number of problems with the new Centre had been resolved.

647 NORTHFLEET LANDFILL - LIAISON COMMITTEE Members were advised that a meeting of the above mentioned Committee had been arranged for Wednesday 31st January at 7.30 p.m.

648 TRANSFER OF LICENCE Members were advised that a proposed transfer of Licence had been received for the 'Morning Star', Swanscombe, to Mr & Mrs R Sellman.

649 SWANSCOMBE SCHOOL Members were advised of a letter received from R.J. Dunn M.P. regarding the proposed closure of Swanscombe School, offering his advice and assistance.

650 RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor M A Crosby and seconded by Councillor A M Barham

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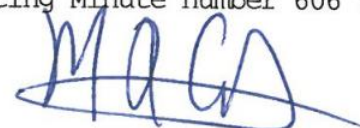
That with the exception of Minute number 598, the Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th January 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

651 CENTRE NAME Reference Minute 598, it was proposed by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith that Minute number 598 not be accepted. A vote was taken and the proposal was lost, therefore Minute number 598 was confirmed and the recommendation adopted.

652 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th January 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted. Councillor M A Crosby asked for his vote against accepting Minute number 606 to be recorded.



653 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor T V Dixon

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th January 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained there be adopted.

654 ANNUAL ESTIMATES Discussion took place regarding Minute number 625, and it was,

RESOLVED

That the Estimates be referred to the next Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting and a special Town Council Meeting to be arranged on the same evening to accept the Estimates.

655 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor P S Crow

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 15th January 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

656 GREENHITHE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith gave a brief report of a meeting she had recently attended and informed Members that the Association was no longer able to provide the paper collection service.

657 SEALING OF DOCUMENTS Discussion took place regarding the Agreement with Courage, and it was,

RESOLVED

That this item be deferred.

658 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS The Town Mayor, Councillor M A Crosby informed Members of a recent meeting he had attended regarding the future of Swanscombe School.

Councillor P R Defty entered the Council Chamber.

659 COMMUNITY CHARGE

RESOLVED

That this item be included on the Agenda for the Special Meeting of the Town Council.

660 CHURCH SERVICES Members had received a copy of the letter from Rev. Mercer regarding several different points. After discussion, it was,

RESOLVED

That, in future, the Town Council hold an annual Civic Service and that Rev. Mercer be asked to be the Town Council's Chaplain. A meeting was to be arranged with the British Legion for Wednesday 7th February at 8 p.m. at the British Legion, to discuss the War Memorial.



661 SPORTS PAVILION Councillor N Halford informed Members of a recent meeting of the Sports Association that he had attended and advised Members of the problems being experienced regarding football players bringing mud into the changing rooms. Discussion had also taken place concerning the graffiti on the Squash Court walls. Members were advised that the Annual General Meeting of the Sports Association would be on 28th March 1990.

RESOLVED

That both of the above mentioned problems be deferred until the next Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting.

662 EMERGENCY COMMITTEE Members were advised that Mr Swain, Dartford Borough Council had requested a meeting be held of the Emergency Committee. After a brief discussion, it was,

RESOLVED

That the Clerk arrange a meeting with Mr Swain and Members on the Emergency Committee.

663 TOWN MAYOR'S RECEPTION Discussion took place regarding the Town Mayor's reception, and it was

RESOLVED

That the usual local organisations, schools, churches etc be invited and all Town Council staff. A floor to be hired for the night of the reception if necessary.

664 TOWN PLANNING The following Planning Application was submitted for Members consideration :-

DA/90/0001 Erection of a single storey rear extension.
 12 Alexander Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Recommend approval.

The following Decision Notices had been received granting permission for development :-

DA/89/1003/ADV South west corner at the junction of London Road and Bean Road,
 Greenhithe, Kent.
DA/89/1004/ADV North east corner at the junction of Bean Road and Watling Street,
 Greenhithe, Kent.
DA/89/1070 4 Ivy Bower Close, Greenhithe, Kent.

Councillor P S Crow left the Council Chamber.

665 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

666 SPORTS PAVILION Discussion took place regarding the rent for the Pavilion.

MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at Manor House,
Swanscombe on THURSDAY 8th FEBRUARY 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT :

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| Cllr. M A Crosby - Chairman | |
| Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith | Cllr. R A Francis |
| Cllr. M D Chater | Cllr. P J French |
| Cllr. P S Crow | Cllr. N Halford |
| Cllr. P R Defty | Cllr. B G Poppy |
| Cllr. T V Dixon | Cllr. B E Read |

667 SWANSCOMBE SCHOOL Councillor M A Crosby informed Members of a march due to take place on Monday 12th February at 9.30 am to Northfleet in protest at the proposed closure of Swanscombe School. After a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk notify the Police of this march.

668 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th January 1990 were confirmed and signed.

Councillor B E Read entered the
Council Chamber

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs S East, B R Francis, and Mrs B A Halford.

Councillor N Halford entered the
Council Chamber

669 PARK FOREMAN'S REPORT Members were informed of the problems still being experienced at Broomfield Road regarding the football teams not locking the tractor shed. Members were also informed that several hours a week were being spent cleaning the changing rooms at Knockhall. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Park's Foreman liaise with the Park Staff and this item be deferred until the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting.

670 LAND REAR OF TAUNTON ROAD Discussion took place regarding clearing the land rear of Taunton Road, and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Park's Foreman liaise with the residents and report to the Clerk who would include this item on the next Recreation and Amenities Agenda for further discussion.



671 FOOTBALL PITCH ALLOCATION Members had received a copy of a letter from Mr Busbridge requesting pitch hire at Knockhall and Broomfield.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that unfortunately, every available pitch had been allocated for the coming season.

672 CRICKET CLUB Members were advised that a letter of thanks had been received from the Cricket Club to the Park Staff for the excellent condition of the cricket pitch.

A copy had been passed onto the Park Staff.

NOTED

673 ROCKING HORSE - BROOMFIELD Members were advised of receipt of an inspection report regarding the damage to the rocking horse, informing that replacement parts and labour would amount to £603.63 or to replace the rocking horse would cost £886.42. After a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until the next Meeting.

674 KNOCKHALL CHANGING ROOMS Members received copies of the latest correspondence between the Town Council's Solicitors and Recro Structures Ltd.

NOTED

Councillor M A Crosby declared an interest in the next item.

675 CARETAKER - GROVE HALL Members were advised that a letter of resignation had, unfortunately, been received from Mrs Crosby who would be leaving the Town Council on Friday 9th February, having been employed as Caretaker of the Grove Hall for seventeen years. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a gift be purchased for Mrs Crosby from the Town Council up to the value of £40, under Section 137 of the 1972 Local Government Act, and a presentation be made to her at the Town Mayor's Reception.

676 CHURCHYARD STEPS Members were advised that the cost of replacing the existing Church steps would need to be increased by approximately £700 as imitation stone was not acceptable. After discussion, it was,

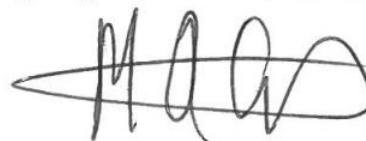
RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk arrange for the work to commence (including the additional cost), and write to Dartford Borough Council seeking a supplementary grant.

677 ANTHONY PUGSLEY Members were advised of the death of Anthony Pugsley.

RECOMMENDED

That a letter of sympathy be sent to Mr & Mrs Pugsley from the Town Council.



678 ELECTION Members were advised that the cost of providing official poll cards for the forthcoming election would be £200.

RECOMMENDED

That poll cards should not be provided for the election.

679 PARK ATTENDANT - VACANCY Members were advised that there had been a good response to the advert for a park attendant.

RECOMMENDED

That an Executive Committee Meeting be held on Monday 12th February at 7.45 p.m. to select candidates for interview. The Park's Foreman and the Chairman of the Recreation and Amenities Committee to provide a short list of candidates.

680 THAMESIDE INDUSTRIAL ROUTE, STAGE 1 Members were advised of receipt of the Notice relating to the proposed development of the Thameside Industrial Route, including Station Road Link.

NOTED

681 KENT ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCILS Members had received copies of the Parish News issue number 166 together with the Tunnel Rail News Flash, and details of the Best Kept Village Competition.

NOTED

682 COUNTRYSIDE PROJECT Members were advised that the latest edition of Country Matters had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

683 MANOR HOUSE Members were informed of the Court hearing due to take place at Gravesend Magistrates Court on Wednesday 14th February regarding the vacation of Manor House. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk also attend the Court hearing as well as the Town Council's Solicitor.

684 BLUE ANCHOR FOOTBALL CLUB Discussion took place regarding the damage caused to a changing room door at the Sports Pavilion a few months ago, and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That no further action be taken.

685 BLUE CIRCLE MEETING Members had received a brief report regarding a recent meeting with Mr R Dornan, Property Services Division, Blue Circle, concerning several projects affecting the Town Council. After a brief discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to Mr Dornan thanking him for attending the meeting, adding that Members look forward to receiving replies to all the points raised in due course.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M. A. S.', written in a cursive style.

686 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members consideration :-

DA/90/0038 Erection of a Garage

35 Knockhall Chase, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections - providing neighbouring properties have been informed and have no objections.

DA/90/0039 Erection of a single storey front extension and a garage.

37 Knockhall Chase, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections providing neighbouring properties have been informed and have no objections.

DA/89/0923/OUT Rev Knockhall C.P. School, Knockhall Road, Greenhithe, Kent.
Revised plans.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations

DA/90/0048 Construction of Thames-side Industrial Route Stage (1) including Station Road Link.

Land north of Stone to the west end of Greenhithe, from Dartford International Ferry Terminal access to Station Road Greenhithe, thence to London Road (A226) and junction with Bean Road.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations.

The following Decision Notices had been received granting permission for development :-

DA/89/0147/A Land at Alkerden Lane, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/89/1121 'The Rectory' Manor Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

DA/90/0001 12 Alexander Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

The following Decision Notice was withdrawn on 12th January, 1990.

DA/87/0430 112 Milton Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

687 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

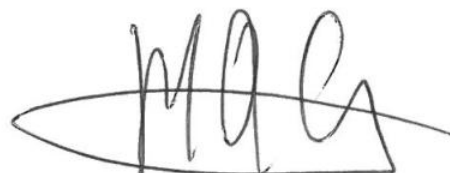
That Members of the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

688 SPORTS PAVILION Members had received a copy of a letter from Mr Howell, and were advised of estimates that had been submitted for repairs to the roof. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a meeting be arranged to discuss details with the Town Council's Solicitor.

Chairman.



MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at Manor House,
Swanscombe on WEDNESDAY, 14th FEBRUARY 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman Cllr P S Crow
 Cllr. Mrs D Ash-Smith Cllr B E Read
 Cllr. M A Crosby Cllr R Simmonds

Also in attendance Councillor's P R Defty and B G Poppy.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Mrs B A Halford.

689 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting's held on 18th December 1989 and 4th and 15th January 1990 were confirmed and signed.

690 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RECOMMENDED

That the Press and Public be excluded during the next item on the Agenda due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

691 STAFFING A report was made by the Chairman of the Committee and it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Centre Manager be suspended, on full pay, pending investigations.

692 STORM DAMAGE Discussion took place regarding the damage that had been caused to the roof of the Centre and a letter was to be sent to Dartford Borough Council detailing the problems.

693 STORAGE After discussion it was agreed in principle, that a steel security store of 20' x 10' would be suitable and a planning application was to be submitted.

694 SECURITY MIRROR Estimates had been obtained and it was

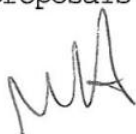
RECOMMENDED

That a mirror be installed - to a maximum cost of £150.

695 RECEPTIONIST Members were advised that Mrs Savage had been appointed to cover Saturday and Sunday evenings.

696 PROGRAMME Members were advised of additional activities that were now taking place at the Centre.

697 ADVERTISING Details of the proposals for future advertising were discussed.



698 FLOORING Estimates had been obtained for carpet and wooden dance flooring.

RECOMMENDED

That the appropriate floor covering be obtained to a maximum cost of £5,000.

In view of the restricted number of manufacturers that could meet the requirements and comply with delivery times it was agreed not to invite tenders for this contract.

Chairman

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'M. J. ...', written over the printed name 'Chairman'.

MINUTES of a MEETING Of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at Manor House,
Swanscombe on THURSDAY 22nd FEBRUARY, 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman Cllr. B R Francis
 Cllr. Mrs D Ash-Smith Cllr. R A Francis
 Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
 Cllr. P R Defty Cllr. B G Poppy
 Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. B E Read
 Cllr. P J French Cllr. R Simmonds

699 TOM BODLE O.B.E. The Chairman, Councillor N Halford advised Members of the death of Mr Tom Bodle.

In Memory of Mr Bodle a Minutes Silence was held following which it was

RECOMMENDED

That a wreath be sent on behalf of the Town Council.

700 LEISURE CENTRE MANGEMENT COMMITTEE Members were advised that the date for the next Leisure Centre Management Committee would be Wednesday 28th February at 8 p.m. at Manor House.

701 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th January 1990 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs A E DBarham, M D Chater, M A Crosby, P S Crow and Mrs S East.

702 INCOME FOR DECEMBER 1989 The Income for December 1989 amounting to £4,702.68 was received as set out in the annexed list.

703 ACCOUNTS PAID The Clerk reported that accounts amounting to £35,063.27 had been paid during December 1989.

704 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT Members were informed that the following accounts had been received for payment :-

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| T E Beach | Final stage payment re Grove Car Park | £ 451.05 |
| Dartford Borough Council | Christmas Lights | £1,100.00 |
| E.Doe & Sons | Tractor repairs/service | £ 405.00 |
| A.W. Gore | Bar stocktake | £ 86.25 |
| Kenuu Roofing | Repairs to Squash Court roof (Storm damage - insurance claim) | £ 223.10 |

RECOMMENDED

That with the exception of E.Doe & Sons all of the above listed accounts be paid. The E.Doe invoice to be paid subject to the approval of the Chairman of the Recreation and Amenities Committee.

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705 COMPUTER Members had received copies of various estimates that had been obtained for a computer and printer. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a proposal be put forward at the next meeting.

706 GARAGES - KNOCKHALL ROAD Members were advised that an Estate Agent had been instructed to deal with the sale of the garages, which were on offer for sums in excess of £10,000.

707 PRECEPT 1990 Reference Minute 613, Members were advised of a reply received from the Financial Services Officer informing that the Borough Council had decided to standardise the payment of the Precept for 1990/91. 50% would be paid on 30th April and the final payment made on 28th September 1990.

708 PENNY RATE PRODUCT 1988/89 Members had received a copy of the letter from Dartford Borough Council advising of adjustments regarding the Precept for 1988/89.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply requesting a detailed explanation showing the major changes that must have taken place to justify the amendments.

709 SOCIETY OF LOCAL COUNCIL CLERKS Members were advised that the annual subscription was due for renewal in the sum of £29.00

RECOMMENDED

That the subscription be renewed.

710 KENT TRUST FOR NATURE CONSERVATION Members were advised that the annual subscription was due for renewal in the sum of £15.00. Members were also informed of receipt of the following literature, all of which were available in the office: -

Newsletter and Programme of events - February - June 1990;
Spring/Summer programme of courses;
Programme for field studies at Juniper Hall Field Centre;
Natural World & Winter 1990; and
Kent Wildlife Focus

RECOMMENDED

That the subscription be renewed.

711 COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF RURAL ENGLAND Members were advised that the Membership Fee of £12 was due for renewal, and that a letter seeking financial assistance towards the C.P.R.E. Countryside Appeal had been received.

RECOMMENDED

That the Membership be renewed.

712 SPORTS PAVILION Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the Town Council Solicitors suggesting a few dates for an evening meeting with Members to discuss various items regarding the Pavilion. After discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk liaise with the Town Mayor and the Solicitor, and inform Members once a suitable date had been confirmed.

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713 KNOCKHALL CHANGING ROOMS Members were advised that Recro Structures had informed that they intended commencing the necessary repair work to the portable changing unit week commencing 26th February 1990.

714 BLUE CIRCLE Members were advised of a reply received from Mr Dornan, Blue Circle regarding the various points raised at the recent meeting with the Town Council. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk arrange a date for a day time meeting at the Centre, with Mr Dornan and a member of the Centre Staff to discuss the Lease reference the land to the rear of the Centre.

715 ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS Members had received a copy of a letter from Dartford Borough Council advising that consideration was being given to undertaking a review of the electoral arrangements of the Town Council. Members also received a copy of the public notice and an extract from the Local Government Act 1972, Schedule II. After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That this be deferred until the next Town Council Meeting.

Councillor B R Francis entered the
Council Chamber

716 RATE BILL 1990/91 Members were advised that letters had been received from Dartford Borough Council informing of the new rateable values for the Community Halls, Car Parks and Squash Courts.

Councillor Mrs B A Halford entered
the Council Chamber

717 K.A.P.C. Members had received copies of the Parish News issue number 167, and were advised of receipt of the following invitations :

Village Halls Conference at Hothfield on Saturday 17th March;
Parish Councillor's Information Day at Hollingbourne on 7th April.

718 BRITISH PENSIONERS TRADE UNION ASSOCIATION Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the above mentioned Association (Swanscombe & Greenhithe Branch) seeking financial assistance with their expenses.

RECOMMENDED

That a donation of £100 be made under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

719 COMMUNITY CHARGE Members were advised of receipt of Guidance Notes which supplemented Practice Notes 17 and 18 referring to U.K. Service Personnel and Visiting Forces Personnel.

NOTED

720 N.A.L.C. Members were advised that issue numbers 215, 216, 217 and 218 of the Direct Information Service had been received and were available in the office. Members received a copy of a summary attached to issue number 217 referring to parts of the Local Government & Housing Act 1989 which were relevant to local Councils.

NOTED

AMB

721 SWANSCOMBE SCHOOL ACTION COMMITTEE Members were advised of a letter received from the Chairman of the Action Committee seeking financial assistance towards the costs incurred with their campaign to prevent the School from being closed.

RECOMMENDED

That a donation of £250 be made under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.

722 ENGLISH HERITAGE Members were advised that a copy of the official journal of the European Communities had been received.

NOTED

723 RAIL LINK Members were advised that issue number one of the Rail Link update had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

724 BEST KEPT GARDEN COMPETITION 1990 Members were advised of a letter received from Dartford Borough Council informing that local residents would be invited to participate in the competition. The Borough Council were offering to stage a display for one week at a suitable location to publicise the event. After a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk obtain further details regarding the display and agree to it, if it was considered appropriate.

725 NATURE CONSERVANCY COUNCIL Members had received a copy of a newsletter which was to be delivered to local residents.

NOTED

726 CIVIL PROTECTION Members were advised of receipt of the Winter edition of the Civil Protection magazine which was available in the office.

727 BRITISH TELECOM Members were advised that a copy of the latest issue of Telecom's Business News had been received together with the Business Programme Diary of Events, both were available in the office.

Councillor P R Defty left the Council Chamber.

728 SWANSCOMBE CEMETERY Members received a copy of a letter of complaint from a local resident regarding the Cemetery. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to Dartford Borough Council requesting they repair both gates properly as a matter of urgency.

729 CHANNEL TUNNEL LINK Members were advised of receipt of the notes taken from the last meeting of the Channel Link Committee, which had taken place on 18th October, 1989.

NOTED

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730 BRITISH RAIL Members were advised of receipt of the Network S.E. Timetable. After a lengthy discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to British Rail asking for them to investigate the reasons for trains that were scheduled to stop at Swanscombe and Greenhithe stations being routed through without stopping until they reach either Gravesend or Dartford.

731 ROCHESTER CATHEDRAL Members were advised of receipt of an invitation to attend a dedication service on Easter Sunday, 15th April at 10.30 a.m.

732 ANNUAL ESTIMATES 1990/91 Members had received revised copies of the annual estimates, and following discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Annual Estimates for 1990/91 be accepted.

733 ATTENDANT - FOOTBALL MATCHES Members discussed at length the problem regarding Broomfield Road, and it was

RECOMMENDED

That investigations be made regarding the Leisure Centre Staff locking the Tractor shed.

734 GREENHITHE AND SWANSCOMBE BRITISH LEGION members had received a copy of the report from a meeting at the British Legion on 7th March. Following a lengthy discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED

That this item be included on the following Town Council Agenda.

735 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members consideration :-

- DA/89/0630A Revisions to previously approved plans for the change of use of property to form two self contained flats and one maisonette. Revisions in respect of external staircase to first and second floor. 115 Knockhall Road, Greenhithe, Kent.
- OBSERVATIONS: No Objections
- DA/90/0088 Change of use of part of ground floor of properties to form additional retail shop area, installation of new shop front and alterations to form single dwelling unit at rear and first floor. 25/27 Church Road, Swanscombe, Kent
- OBSERVATIONS: Members have no objections providing adequate parking provisions are made.
- DA/90/0079 Erection of a detached building to provide boiler and plant room and siting of associated plant. Block D Northfleet Ind.Est. Lower Road, Northfleet
- OBSERVATIONS: No Objections.

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DA/90/0077 Erection of a single storey side extension.
39 The Grove, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections

DA/90/0064/ADV Erection of an internally illuminated projecting box sign.
16 Castle Street, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members object to this application as it would be out of keeping
with the street scene and would be a nuisance to residents.

The following Decision Notice was received granting permission for development :

DA/88/1108 (Rev) 41/43 Swanscombe Street, Swanscombe, Kent.

Chairman

A M Barkham

Income for December 1989

| | | | |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|----------|------------------|
| Parks | Football | 36.15 | |
| | Tennis | 1.04 | |
| | Water heater | 10.00 | 47.19 |
| Community Halls | Grove | 22.50 | |
| | Church Road | 78.92 | 101.42 |
| Squash | Hire Fees | | 173.91 |
| Administration | Interest from Building Society | | 124.75 |
| Leisure Centre | Admission and Membership | 186.32 | |
| | Table Tennis | 45.65 | |
| | Badminton | 179.15 | |
| | 5 v 5 football | 307.82 | |
| | Bowls | 26.54 | |
| | Fitness Room | 684.99 | |
| | Sale of equipment | 14.79 | |
| | Aerobics | 83.47 | |
| | Short Tennis | 9.57 | |
| | Volleyball | 42.61 | |
| | Gaming machine | 95.65 | |
| | Children's Christmas Party | 5.65 | |
| | Misc | 2.35 | |
| | Hockey | 9.13 | |
| | Trampoline | 15.65 | 1,709.34 |
| Leisure Centre Bar | Bar takings | 2,414.37 | |
| | Food | 131.70 | 2,546.07 |
| | | | <u>£4,702.68</u> |

Accounts Paid December 1989

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|--------------------------|---|----------|
| Inland Revenue | Tax & N.I. Contributions | 3,255.62 |
| K.C.C. | Parks, Admin & Centre supplies | 1,916.26 |
| Nash | Wages week 36 | 577.34 |
| K.C.C. | Centre supplies | 486.47 |
| Seeboard | Park (Toilet Block) A/C | 9.54 |
| Seeboard | St.Lighting annual energy charge - additional | 7.38 |
| D.B.C. | Refuse collection - Church Road Hall | 31.50 |
| Bella Jones | Aerobics Coach | 38.00 |
| Sandhurst | Final payment old photo copier | 96.39 |
| North Kent Oil | Diesel A/c Nov | 10.00 |
| D.B.C. | Service charges Manor House | 900.00 |
| Thames Water | Park & B'Field Rd A/C's | 304.31 |
| Continental Sports | Curtains & spotting platforms (Centre) | 3,623.65 |
| Bella Jones | Aerobics Coach | 26.50 |
| A.J. Nash | War Memorial | 5,700.94 |
| Kings (Beers & Minerals) | Centre - Bar supplies | 334.37 |
| Initial Textile | Cleaning Services re Centre | 19.94 |
| Darent Valley | Replacement hand dryer and repairs to 2nd dryer (Parks) | 188.47 |
| Stocksigns | Signs for Centre | 23.40 |
| Sportline | Signs for Centre | 166.00 |
| T.B.L. Vending | Bar supplies | 78.49 |
| H Rose | Bar supplies | 655.23 |
| Elite Car Hire | Senior Citizens A/C | 41.06 |
| Barclays Bank | Salaries | 8,152.58 |
| Cash | Wages week 37 | 667.15 |
| Craylands Chemist | Films for Camera (Centre/Membership) | 75.95 |

Accounts Paid December 1989 (cont'd)

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| Seeboard | St.Lighting (Energy & Maintenance) | 30.44 |
| Seeboard | Knockhall Changing Rooms (new unit) | 14.02 |
| R D R Automotive | Tractor & Trailer repairs | 154.27 |
| A E Frost | Parks supplies | 28.66 |
| W A Russell | Fencing at Knockhall | 1,590.22 |
| K.C.C. | Admin,Centre & Parks supplies | 57.55 |
| Church Road Garage | Nov Petrol A/C | 64.50 |
| Cash | Wages-weeks 38 and 39 | 1,201.69 |
| Fisher Brothers | Bar food | 8.30 |
| Bar expenses | Drayman & can opener | 2.00 |
| Hillesden Securities | Kitchen equipment leasing | 108.02 |
| P.W.L.B. | Loan | 4,256.30 |
| C Reeves | Kitchen (Meat A/C) | 83.52 |
| D.Kooler | Kitchen (Bakers A/C) | 37.49 |
| B Stoneham | Kitchen (Food for freezer) | 39.75 |
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| | | £35,063.27 |
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MINUTES of a SPECIAL MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at
Manor House, Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 22nd FEBRUARY 1990 at 8.30 p.m.

PRESENT :

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| Cllr. Mrs B A Halford - Deputy Town Mayor | |
| Cllr. Mrs D Ash-Smith | Cllr. R A Francis |
| Cllr. A M Barham | Cllr. N Halford |
| Cllr. T V Dixon | Cllr. B G Poppy |
| Cllr. P J French | Cllr. B E Read |
| Cllr. B R Francis | Cllr. R Simmonds |

736 COMMUNITY CHARGE 1990/91

RESOLVED

That the Community Charge for this area be set at £27 per head for 1990/91

Councillor B E Read abstained.

Town Mayor

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANGEMENT COMMITTEE held at Manor House, Swanscombe on WEDNESDAY, 28th FEBRUARY, 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT ; Cllr. N Halford - Chairman Cllr. P S Crow
 Cllr. Mrs D Ash-Smith Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
 Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. B E Read

Also in attendance Councillor's T V Dixon and B G Poppy.

737 STANDING ORDERS It was

RECOMMENDED

That Standing Order number 1 (vi) be suspended for the duration of the Meeting.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor M A Crosby.

738 STORM DAMAGE Members were advised of damage to the building that had been caused by the recent severe weather conditions.

RECOMMENDED

That a letter be sent to Dartford Borough Council seeking a meeting with the Architect at the Leisure Centre as a matter of urgency to discuss the various problems.

Councillor Mrs Ash-Smith entered the Council Chamber followed shortly by Councillor P S Crow.

739 STORAGE Members were advised that an estimate had been requested for the provision and installation of a steel security store. The Clerk was asked to suggest to the Borough Council that they contact Mr Dornan of Blue Circle regarding permission to erect the building.

740 FLOORING Members were advised that the dance floor had been ordered and the Fire Officer had confirmed that the carpeting would be acceptable.

741 FLOAT A request was made for the float that had been allocated to be increased from £180 to £250.

RECOMMENDED

That the float be made available and be adjusted according to future requirements by the Town Clerk.

742 CHILDREN'S SOCCER COMPETITION Members were advised that a competition had been held during the half-term holiday which had been sponsored by Grove Cars.

RECOMMENDED

That a letter of appreciation be sent to the Proprietor of Grove Cars,



743 STRUCTURAL SURVEY Members had received a copy of the report on the roof of the Centre that had been requested.

RECOMMENDED

That a copy of the report be forwarded to Dartford Borough Council with a request that they consider re-imbursing the Council for the cost involved.

The Clerk to seek a more detailed structural report as was originally requested.

744 STOCK TAKE Members had received a copy of the stock-take that had been received.

745 TELEVISION AERIAL Members were of the opinion that an aerial had been requested and the Clerk was asked to investigate.

746 ADVERTISING The Assistant Centre Manager was asked to arrange for leaflets to be delivered to every property in Swanscombe and Greenhithe on a regular basis advertising events etc. at the Centre.

747 MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT

RECOMMENDED

That Councillor Mrs B A Halford liaise with the Town Clerk and the Assistant Manager about arrangements for a keyboard player to be engaged for Saturday evenings, commencing on April 7th on a trial basis.

748 HIRE OF HALL A letter had been received from the Friends Association of Swanscombe School seeking permission to use the hall on April 7th for a fund raising event. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That subject to the hall proving suitable for such an event, the Association would be allowed to hire the hall and a date would be arranged in due course.

749 LEASE Members were advised of a letter that had been received from Blue Circle, part of which concerned the rent to be charged for the Centre.

RECOMMENDED

That a letter be sent explaining why it was felt that a nominal rent should be charged.

750 OCCASIONAL LICENCE AND EXTENSION

RECOMMENDED

That the Bar Manager apply for an occasional licence for the Town Mayor's Reception to be held on March 31st and an extension to 11.30 p.m.

751 STAFFING Members were advised that a letter of resignation had been received from Alan Whetherly.

RECOMMENDED

That a letter of congratulations be sent to Alan alongwith Members thanks for all the work he had carried out during his time with the Council. It was agreed that payment would be made for outstanding annual holiday and leiu time.

752 RECREATION SUPERVISOR

RECOMMENDED

That the vacant position be advertised.

753 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC It was

RECOMMENDED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

754 STAFFING Following a lengthy discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk act according to instructions.

Chairman



MINUTES of a MEETING Of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at Manor House,
Swanscombe on WEDNESDAY, 7th MARCH 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman
Cllr. P S Crow
Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs D Ash-Smith, A M Barham, M A Crosby and B E Read.

755 STAFFING Members were advised that a letter of resignation had been received from the Centre Manager.

RECOMMENDED

That the resignation be accepted.

756 STAFFING OF CENTRE Following a lengthy discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That 4 staff would be employed in a supervisory capacity.

The Assistant Manager to be promoted to Sports Officer and the vacant position of Leisure Officer to be advertised.

Chairman.



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MINUTES of a MEETING Of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at Manor House,
Swanscombe on THURSDAY 8th MARCH 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. M A Crosby - Town Mayor
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. N Halford
Cllr. M D Chater Cllr. B G Poppy
Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. R Simmonds

Prayers were read by Rev. T Mercer followed by a minutes silence in memory of Mr Bodle.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs A E D Barham, P S Crow, P R Defty, P J French and B E Read.

757 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th January, 1990 be confirmed and signed.

758 MR BODLE O.B.E. Members were advised of receipt of a letter from Mrs Bodle thanking the Town Council for their condolences.

759 N.A.S.U.W.T. Members had received a copy of the news letter produced by the above mentioned organisation, regarding the review of Secondary Education in Kent.

NOTED

760 FOOTPATH - CRAYLANDS TO KNOCKHALL Members were advised of receipt of notification from Dartford Borough Council informing of the Diversion Order for the above mentioned footpath.

NOTED

761 CIVIC CENTRE Members were advised of the invitation received from the Mayor of Dartford to attend a Civic Service at St. Michaels Church, Wilmington on on 22nd April at 10.30 a.m.

762 RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor T V Dixon and seconded by Councillor M D Chater

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th February 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

763 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs B A Halford

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th February 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

764 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor A M Barham

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd February 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

765 SPECIAL TOWN COUNCIL MEETING Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs B A Halford

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd February 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

766 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor Mrs B A Halford

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 28th February 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

767 NORTHFLEET LANDFILL LIAISON COMMITTEE Councillor N Halford gave a report on the recent Landfill Committee Meeting he had attended. Members were advised that part of the site has settled quicker than expected, so further dumping would be necessary followed by another layer of top soil.

768 SCHOOL GOVERNORS Councillor B G Poppy gave a brief report of the last Knockhall School Governors Meeting he had attended and informed Members that he was opposed to the Local Management Scheme.

769 GREENHITHE LANDFILL LIAISON COMMITTEE Councillor Mrs D J Ash-Smith gave a brief report of the recent meeting she had attended, and informed Members that Biffa had confirmed that the gas flare behind the Clinic in Knockhall Chase would soon be moved to the London Road side of the pit and the site should be completed in the Autumn. A further meeting would be held in approximately two months.

770 SWANSCOMBE SCHOOL Councillor M A Crosby advised Members that over 400 people had attended the recent open meeting at the School and that it had continued until 10 p.m. Members were also advised that Councillor Crosby has spoken on Radio Kent at the beginning of the week.

771 SEALING OF DOCUMENTS/NOTICE OF APPLICATION REFERENCE CHURCHYARD STEPS Members were advised that a Notice of Application required signing regarding the repair work to the Church steps.

RESOLVED

That the Notice be signed accordingly by the Town Mayor, Councillor M A Crosby.

772 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS The Town Mayor Councillor M A Crosby informed Members that a public meeting was to be held on Monday 19th March at 7.30 p.m. at the Leisure Centre to discuss the Poll Tax. Councillor M A Crosby informed Members that the local M.P. R J Dunn and Councillor M Nothard had been invited and requested that as many Members as possible attend the Meeting.



773 ADMINISTRATION OFFICES Members were asked to consider a date for the administration Offices to be moved to the Centre.

RESOLVED

That the administration staff move when it was convenient for them, and once a date was known, posters to be displayed informing the public. The Town Council offices to be closed for two days.

774 REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS Discussion took place regarding the proposed changes to the Electoral arrangements.

RESOLVED

That this item be included on the next Finance and General Purposes Agenda.

775 BRITISH LEGION Members discussed the arrangements for the Dedication Service of the War Memorial and it was,

RESOLVED

That Members be issued with a copy of the proposed invitation list and this item be included on the Recreation and Amenities Agenda.

776 ONE WAY SYSTEM - DATE FOR A MEETING

RESOLVED

That this item be deferred until the next Recreation and Amenities Meeting.

777 COMPUTER Members had received a copy of a proposal regarding purchasing a Computer for the administration offices. After a brief discussion it was,

RESOLVED

That the proposal be accepted subject to the printer being suitable.

778 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members consideration :-

DA/89/0614/A Revisions to previously approved plans ref DA/89/0614 for the provision of a 64 space town car park, access to proposed office car park and construction of estate road to area 3. Revisions in respect of a reduction in number of parking spaces from 64 to 58.
Land Adj. Woodlands, 79 High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: The Town Council object to the reduction in the number of parking spaces as there is insufficient parking provided.

DA/90/0110 Erection of a single storey rear extension, provision of a dormer window in rear elevation, and change of use of property from single dwelling house to 3 No. 1 Bed flats and 1 No. studio flat together with associated car parking.

2 London Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations.



DA/90/0129 Erection of a part two, part single storey detached building with storage area on ground floor and offices on first floor.
 'The Yard' Castle Road, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members request a Site Meeting.

The following Decision Notices were received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development :

DA/89/0147/B (Rev) Phase II Land at ALkerden Lane, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/90/0038 35 Knockhall Chase, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/90/0039 37 Knockhall Chase, Greenhithe, Kent.

Town Mayor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M A S', with a horizontal line drawn through the middle of the letters.

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at Manor House,
Swanscombe on WEDNESDAY, 21st MARCH 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith
Cllr. M A Crosby
Cllr. P S Crow
Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. R Simmonds

Also in attendance Councillor T V Dixon.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor B E Read.

779 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meetings held on February 14th and 28th were agreed and signed.

Councillor M A Crosby entered the Council Chamber.

780 STAFFING Members discussed the situation of staffing.

RECOMMENDED

That 2 part time receptionists be employed.

Interviews to be arranged in liaison with the Assistant Centre Manager, the Town Clerk, and the Vice Chairman and the rota system put forward by the Assistant Centre Manager to be adopted until the Centre is fully staffed.

781 FLOORING Following a lengthy discussion it was agreed that the situation should be reviewed at a later date.

782 SOCIAL EVENTS After consideration it was

RECOMMENDED

That a £50 returnable deposit be charged for social events.

783 SCHOOL ACTION COMMITTEE It was

RECOMMENDED

That subject to the success of the Town Mayor's Reception in the main hall, the Action Committee would be allowed to hire the hall for a Saturday evening at a cost of £30 plus the returnable deposit.

784 LEISURE CENTRE BAR Members were advised that the cupboards had been ordered for storage in the kitchen area.

785 LIGHTING The item relating to the provision of spot lights in the main hall was deferred.

786 SOUND PROOFING FOR OFFICES Quotes had been obtained for the ceilings to be insulated and after consideration the Clerk was asked to contact a sound proofing company for advice.

787 PASSPORT PHOTO PUNCH The item relating to the photo punch was deferred.

788 STORAGE UNIT A letter had been received from Dartford Borough Council advising that no objections would be raised to the siting of the storage unit - providing it was at the expense of the Town Council.

789 RENT FOR LEISURE CENTRE A reply had been received from Blue Circle asking for documentary evidence that a peppercorn rent had originally agreed.

790 CONSEQUENTIAL LOSS A reply had been received from Dartford Borough Council regarding the losses incurred due to the Centre being closed. The Clerk was asked to contact the Solicitor for advice.

791 STRUCTURAL REPORT Members had received a copy of the revised Report that had been obtained. After discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

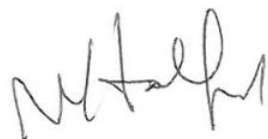
That a copy be sent to the Borough Council alongwith a letter asking what action they would take from the advice in the Report.

792 RECREATIONAL SUPERVISOR Five applicants had been short listed and interviews were to be arranged for Saturday 31st March from 10 a.m.

Councillor R Simmonds left the
Council Chamber.

793 COURAGE AGREEMENT Mr Lewis was to be invited to attend the next meeting of the Leisure Centre Management Committee or to arrange a meeting with Councillor M A Crosby.

Chairman



MINUTES of a MEETING of the RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE held at Manor House,
Swanscombe on THURSDAY 22nd MARCH 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. M A Crosby - Chairman
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. R A Francis
Cllr. Mrs A E D Barham Cllr. P J French
Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. M J Munn
Cllr. M D Chater Cllr. B G Poppy
Cllr. P R Defty Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. R Simmonds

794 PUBLIC MEETING - POLL TAX Discussion took place regarding the public meeting held on 19th March.

Councillor Mrs A E D Barham and Councillor A M Barham entered the Council Chamber and apologised for being late.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to R J Dunn M.P. and Councillor M Nothard requesting they attend a public meeting to explain the Poll Tax in person to the residents of Swanscombe and Greenhithe on a date of their choice.

795 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th February 1990 were confirmed and signed.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs S East and B R Francis.

Councillor M A Crosby welcomed Councillor M J Munn to the Town Council.

796 KNOCKHALL CHANGING ROOMS Members were advised that during the recent gales the portable changing unit had moved slightly, however, on the advice of the structural engineer the changing rooms had now been securely anchored.

NOTED

797 CEMETERY ROADWAY Members were advised that Dartford Borough Council were currently repairing the roadway through the Park.

798 BREAK-IN-SWANSCOMBE PARK Members were advised that the store room had been broken into and tools amounting to approximately £1,500 had been stolen. It had been suggested that a steel cage, built inside the store room might prevent this happening again. After a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until estimates had been obtained for a steel cage.



799 TENNIS COURTS Members were advised that the old wire fence around the tennis courts had rusted through at the base.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until estimates had been obtained for replacement.

800 FENCING - BROOMFIELD ROAD Members were advised that an area beneath the bridge at the bridge at the Broomfield Road end of the footpath was hollow and the fencing would not be completed until this problem had been solved. Dartford Borough Council were approaching Blue Circle as they felt it was their responsibility.

801 LAND REAR OF TAUNTON ROAD Members were advised of a meeting between the Parks Foreman and one of the residents of Taunton Road who would be contacting the Town Council on behalf of the residents.

802 TREES - KNOCKHALL ROAD Members were advised that an estimate had been received in the sum of £160 for work required to the trees at Knockhall.

RECOMMENDED

That the estimate be accepted and the work be carried out.

803 PARK ATTENDANT Members were advised that Miss Graham had accepted the position of full-time Park Attendant and had commenced employment on Monday 12th March.

804 GROVE HALL Members were advised that Mrs J Johnson had been appointed as the week day caretaker and Mrs Carol Johnson had accepted the position of weekend caretaker.

805 BLUE CIRCLE Members had received a copy of a letter from Blue Circle regarding the several different points raised by the Town Council.

RECOMMENDED

That the rent of £250 for the Castlefield allotment site be accepted, with the option of extra plots if required.

806 FOOTBALL PITCH HIRE Reference Minute 671, Members had received a copy of the reply from Mr Busbridge.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply again informing Mr Busbridge that the Town Council were unfortunately unable to accommodate his request for pitch hire.

807 BOWLS PAVILION Members were advised that an estimate in the sum of £6,320 had been received for the work required to the Bowls Pavilion.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until further estimates had been obtained.

808 SQUASH COURT Members were advised that one estimate had been received to repaint the Squash Court walls in the sum of £696.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until further estimates were received.



809 CHURCH YARD STEPS Members were advised of a further estimate received for the work required on the Church Yard Steps in the sum of £3,185. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That subject to Dartford Borough Council and the Church agreeing, the estimate be accepted.

810 ADMINISTRATION OFFICES - MOVE TO THE LEISURE CENTRE Members were advised that the cost of hiring a truck for the day to move the administration offices would be £34.50.

RECOMMENDED

That the truck be hired to move the offices to the Leisure Centre.

811 KNOCKHALL ROAD GARAGES Members were advised that the Estate Agents had suggested that the garages be included in their next Auction. An additional cost of £250 plus £500 commission would be involved.

RECOMMENDED

That the garages be included in the Estate Agents next Auction as suggested in their letter.

812 O.P.W.C. Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the Area Organiser seeking permission to erect a second garage adjacent to the existing one, behind the Senior Citizens Club. After a lengthy discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that, unfortunately, the Town Council were unable to give permission on this occasion.

813 GREENHITHE FORESHORE Members were advised of a letter received from the Secretary of the Cambria Scout Group seeking permission to erect a small marquee at Greenhithe Park on July 15th as in previous years.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply agreeing to their request subject to the usual conditions.

814 DOG BYELAWS Members had received a copy of a letter from Mr LeMilliere, Dartford Borough Council regarding Dog Byelaws.

RECOMMENDED

That the Bye Laws be accepted as proposed by Dartford Borough Council.

815 THAMES SIDE INDUSTRIAL ROUTE/STATION ROAD CAR PARK Members were advised that Dartford Borough Council had agreed to accept the future maintenance of Station Road Car Park once the T.I. Route was completed.

816 WAR MEMORIAL - DEDICATION SERVICE Members had received a copy of the proposed invitation list to the War Memorial Dedication Service. After discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the list be returned to the British Legion for them to deal with and include representatives from the local Schools.

817 ONE WAY MEETING Members discussed a date for the next meeting of the One Way working party.

RECOMMENDED

That the next meeting be held on Wednesday 11th April at 7.45 p.m.

818 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members consideration :

DA/89/1047 Biffa, Knockhall Chase, Greenhithe, Kent.

Proposed Generator

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections.

DA/88/1144/A Pit 11 Knockhall Chase, London Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

Modifications to existing Gas Control landfill site.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations

DA/89/0898/A Submission of details of boundary treatments, external materials and hard surface treatments pursuant to planning permission DA/89/0898 for the erection of 55 No. terraced houses, 1 detached house and 4 No. flats with associated estate roads, garages and car parking.

Land to south of High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members request a site meeting as they are not happy with the proposed plans for Greenhithe.

DA/90/0162 Erection of a single storey rear extension.

22 Spring Vale, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members have no objections providing neighbouring properties have been notified.

DA/89/0147/C Submission of details of boundary treatments, external appearance and hard surface treatments as per Planning permission DA/89/0147 for the erection of 29 No. houses with associated garages, car parking, access roads and the re-alignment of Alkerden Lane.

Land at Alkerden Lane, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: Members have no objections providing the road is kept in a clean state which to date it has not been.

The following Decision Notices were received from Dartford Borough Council granting permission for development :

DA/89/0630/A 115 Knockhall Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/90/0077 39 The Grove, Swanscombe

DA/90/0079 Block D,N.I.Est Lower Road, Northfleet, Kent.

The following Decision Notices were received from Dartford Borough Council refusing permission for development :

DA/89/1072(Rev) Land at The Wharf, High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

DA/90/0064/ADV 16 Castle Street, Swanscombe

The following Planning Application has been forwarded to the Secretary of State for the Environment as an appeal :

DA/89/0482 Land at the Wharf, High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.
Ideal Homes Southern Ltd.

819 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That the Members of the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

820 SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE ASSOCIATION OF SPORTS CLUBS Members were advised of receipt of an estimate for the repairs to the Pavilion roof in the sum of £9,588.70.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be deferred until further estimates were received.



Chairman

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at the Swanscombe Centre, on WEDNESDAY 4th APRIL 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chariman
Cllr. A M Barham
Cllr. M A Crosby
Cllr. P S Crow
Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. R Simmonds

Also in attendance - Councillor's T V Dixon, R A Francis and B G Poppy.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs D Ash-Smith and B E Read.

821 STORAGE Members considered an estimate that had been received for the base to be laid for the security store in the sum of £2,173.60 plus £619 for lighting, jack legs and delivery.

RECOMMENDED

That a request for assistance be made to Dartford Borough Council. Quote to be accepted if negative response is received.

822 GLASS WASHER Consideration was given to the estimates that had been received for a glass washer.

RECOMMENDED

That arrangements be made to lease the Classic 400R glass washer for the sum of £10.43 plus V.A.T. per week for 3 years.

823 BARRIER IN BAR Members were advised that the barrier was complete and the rope was to be improved.

824 FIREPROOF CABINET This item to be discussed at the Finance and General Purposes Committee Meeting.

825 BAR STOCKTAKE Discussion took place regarding the need for a regular stocktake.

RESOMMENDED

That a further stocktake be arranged for 81 days and then at regular quarterly intervals.

826 FACILITIES FOR STAFF It was agreed that Town Council Staff should have free use of Leisure Facilities, providing the time would not otherwise be booked for public use.

827 BANKING The present arrangements were to continue.

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828 PRIVATE FUNCTIONS Following a discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That one booking would be allowed for private functions per calendar month with preference being given to Members of the Leisure Centre. Bookings not to be taken for the 3 weeks before or after Christmas and not more than 6 months in advance.

829 PORTABLE BAR It was decided that a portable bar would not be provided for the main hall.

830 LANDSCAPING Dartford Borough Council had requested the views of the Town Council on the landscaping of the area surrounding the Centre and asked if they would like to Tender for the work. The Clerk was asked to consult the Parks Foreman.

831 SCHOOL ACTION COMMITTEE Members were advised that the request to use the hall for a fund raising event had been withdrawn.

832 EQUIPMENT Discussion took place concerning the various equipment that was needed and a proposal was to be included on the Agenda for the Meeting of the Town Council.

833 INSTITUTE OF AMENITIES MANGEMENT Members were advised of the services that were available to members of the Institution.

NOTED

834 INVICTA MONUMENT The Association of Kentish Men had forwarded a copy of a letter sent to the Borough Council seeking information about the future of the Manor House building. The Borough Council had replied advising that no final decision had been made.

835 STRUCTURAL REPORT Reference Minute 743, a reply had been received from Dartford Borough Council advising that they were unable to compensate the Town Council for the cost of the report.

836 FIRE ALARMS Members were advised that a survey had been carried out by Medway Fire Extinguishers who advised that an additional extinguisher was required in the boiler room. A service agreement was available for the fire alarms on a six monthly basis at a cost of £84.15 and an annual service for the fire extinguishers available for £23.00.

RECOMMENDED

That Dartford Borough Council be notified of the additional extinguisher needed for the boiler room and the arrangements be accepted for the alarms and the extinguishers.

837 BAR LICENCE Members were advised that a Transfer of Licence would need to be arranged when a further name was to be included on the Bar Licence.

838 FOOTBALL TROPHIES After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

To accept the quote for trophies in the sum of £122.35.



839 RECREATION SUPERVISOR Members were advised that interviews had been held on March 31st resulting in David Bickerstaff being employed with effect from Monday, 2nd April.

840 VIDEO MACHINE Following complaints that had been received, the video machine had been removed from the premises.

841 CASUAL BAR STAFF It was agreed that when the need arose for casual staff to be employed the payment should be £3 per hour.

842 SALARIES Following discussion it was

RECOMMENDED

That the spinal point should be increased by one point for the Bar Manager and the Recreation Supervisor, with effect from April 1st.

843 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

The Assistant Centre Manager was asked to leave the Committee room.

844 STAFFING A lengthy discussion took place concerning the staffing of the Centre.

The Meeting was adjourned by the Chairman until Tuesday, 10th April at Manor House.

Chairman



MINUTES of a MEETING of the FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE held at Manor House,
Swanscombe on THURSDAY 5th APRIL 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman Cllr. R A Francis
 Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. P J French
 Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. M J Munn
 Cllr. M D Chater Cllr. B G Poppy
 Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. B E Read
 Cllr. B R Francis Cllr. R Simmonds

Councillor Barham chaired the Meeting in the absence of Councillor N Halford.

845 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd February were confirmed and signed.

Councillor N Halford entered the Council Chamber and apologised for being late.

Councillor N Halford then chaired the remainder of the Meeting.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, P S Crow, Mrs S East and Mrs B A Halford.

Councillor B E Read entered the Council Chamber

846 INCOME FOR JANUARY 1990 The Income for January 1990 amounting to £69,440.60 was received as set out in the annexed list.

847 ACCOUNTS PAID The Clerk reported that Accounts amounting to £42,613.03 had been paid during January 1990.

848 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT Members were informed that the following accounts had been received for payment :-

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| A & A Trophies | 5v5 side football trophies | £122.35 |
| C.B.H.B&P Solicitors | Legal Fees re Knockhall Changing Rooms | £425.50 |
| B.R. Stacey | Fencing at Broomfield | |

That A & A Trophies and C.B.H.B&P accounts be paid, and B.R. Stacey's account not to be paid until the fencing was completed.

849 COMMUNITY CHARGE Members had received a copy of the estimated expenditure as supplied to Dartford Borough Council.

NOTED

850 WAITING RESTRICTIONS Members had received a copy of a letter from Dartford Borough Council reference waiting restrictions at Greenhithe.

RECOMMENDED

That this item be included for consideration at the Meeting of the One Way working party.

851 PRECEPT Members had received a copy of the reply from Dartford Borough Council concerning the additional 54p that had been added to the Town Council's precept of £27.

852 SOUTH EAST EMPLOYER'S ASSOCIATION members were advised that the annual subscription was due for renewal in the sum of £57.50.

RECOMMENDED

That the subscription be renewed.

853 BRITISH RAIL Reference MInute 730, Members were advised that a letter had been received requesting more details to allow the allegations to be investigated.

NOTED

854 KENT ASSOCIATION OF PARISH COUNCIL'S Members had received a copy of the Parish News number 168 and were advised that the annual subscription was due for renewal in the sum of £250 plus £18.75 for the Local Council Review. Members were also informed of an invitation to attend a theme training course on Understanding Playground Safety on 9th April.

RECOMMENDED

That the annual subscription be renewed.

855 N.A.L.C. Members were advised that the annual subscription was due for renewal in the sum of £54.

RECOMMENDED

That the subscription be renewed.

856 NATIONAL PLAYING FIELD ASSOCIATION Members were advised that the annual subscription in the sum of £25 was due for renewal.

RECOMMENDED

That the subscription be renewed.

Councillor B R Francis left the Council Chamber.

857 FIRE PROOF CABINET Members were advised that there was no where to store irreplaceable documents at the Leisure Centre, and the cost of purchasing a fire proof cabinet to resolve this problem was £2,500. After a brief discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk make arrangements to purchase a suitable cabinet.

858 CHURCH SERVICES Members had received a copy of the letter from Rev. Mercer regarding various Church Services.

RECOMMENDED

That this letter be given to the Town Mayor elected for 1990/91 and a reply be sent to Rev. Mercer regarding the A.G.M. of the Town Council.

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859 KENT T.E.C. Members were advised of a letter received from the Chairman of the Kent T.E.C. informing of the Kent T.E.C. Open Day - Dartford and Gravesend dates to be advised.

NOTED

860 PUBLIC LIGHTING ENERGY PRICES Members had received a copy of a letter from Seeboard concerning a price review and changes relating to privatisation - revised charges had also been received.

NOTED

861 NORTHFLEET LANDFILL Members were advised that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on Wednesday 31st January had been received and were available in the office.

NOTED

862 N.A.L.C. Members were advised that Issue Numbers 219,220, and 221 had been received and were available in the office.

RECOMMENDED

863 HARMER ROAD PLAY SCHOOL Members had received a copy of a letter from the Playgroup outlining their problems with accommodation. After discussion, it was,

That the Clerk reply explaining that unfortunately the Town Council were unable to offer any assistance.

864 CLEAN KENT CAMPAIGN Members were advised of receipt of a letter from Kent County Council concerning the competition for Primary Schools in the County - a copy had been sent to each of the Schools in the Swanscombe and Greenhithe area.

NOTED

865 AUDIT Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the Audit Commission suggesting that Mr Hailstone of Price Waterhouse be appointed as the Auditor for the Town Council.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk reply informing that the Town Council were in agreement with the Commissions suggestion.

866 KENT ASSOCIATION OF TWINNING ORGANISATIONS Members were advised that newsletter number 8 had been received and was available in the office.

NOTED

867 RAIL LINK Members were advised that the February edition of the County Rail Link update had been received and was available in the office.

868 PUBLIC MEETING Members were advised of the replies from Councillor Nothard and R.J. Dunn M.P. in response to the Town Council's request they attend a public meeting to explain to local residents about the poll tax.

NOTED



869 SCHOOL GOVERNORS Members were advised of receipt of the latest edition of the School Governors Bulletin.

870 WILDLIFE MAGAZINE Members were advised that the W.W.F. Magazine had been received and was available in the office.

871 COUNCIL FOR THE PROTECTION OF RURAL ENGLAND Members were advised that the latest Countryside Campaigner had been received and was available in the office.

872 ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS Members again discussed the proposed amendments to the Electoral Arrangements, and it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk make the observation that the Town Council had no observations as they would be ignored anyway.

873 SCHOOL GOVERNORS ORGANISATION Following discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk contact the local Schools advising that if they wished to become Members of this organisation the Town Council would be willing to pay the £16 joining fee involved.

874 TOWN PLANNING APPLICATIONS The following Planning Applications were submitted for Members consideration :

DA/88/0857/C Submission of landscaping details pursuant to DA/88/0857 for the development of land for residential purposes.
Land between and part bounded by Station Road and The Avenue, Greenhithe.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations.

DA/88/1144/A Amendment to Landfill Gas Control System.
Biffa, Knockhall Chase, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations.

DA/88/1185/A Submission of landscaping details pursuant to DA/88/1185 for the development of land for residential purposes.
Land to the South of the High Street, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations

DA/90/0173 Erection of a block of three No. garages for storage use.
Keary Road Allotment Site, Swanscombe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS: No Observations

875 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED

That the Press and Public be excluded from the remainder of the Meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.



876 SPORTS PAVILION Following a lengthy discussion, it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk act as instructed.

Chairman

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "M. J. ...", written in a cursive style.

Income for January 1990

| | | | |
|--------------------|-------------------------|-----------|-------------------|
| Parks | Football | 188.80 | |
| | Water heater | 10.00 | 198.80 |
| Community Halls | Grove | 189.34 | |
| | Church Road | 214.78 | 404.12 |
| Squash | Hire fees | | 372.49 |
| Administration | Copier | 9.82 | |
| | Interest | 4,428.70 | |
| | Precept | 46,479.00 | 50,917.52 |
| Leisure Centre | Advance of discount | 10,000.00 | |
| | Admission & memberships | 436.96 | |
| | Table Tennis | 65.65 | |
| | Badminton | 455.65 | |
| | 5x5 football | 697.29 | |
| | Bowls | 26.95 | |
| | Fitness room | 1,008.48 | |
| | Sales | 44.45 | |
| | Aerobics | 347.82 | |
| | Short Tennis | 47.82 | |
| | Volleyball | 68.87 | |
| | Gaming & Video machine | 429.57 | |
| | Trampoline | 70.43 | |
| | Junior Fun Club | 67.40 | |
| | Misc. | 9.38 | 13,776.72 |
| Leisure Centre Bar | Bar takings | 3,589.99 | |
| | Bar food | 180.96 | 3,770.95 |
| | | | <u>£69,440.60</u> |

Accounts Paid January 1990

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| Audience Systems | Stage Units & Screening for Centre | 2,962.40 |
| Greenhithe Comm. Assoc. | Donation (Section 137) | 1,325.00 |
| Initial Textile Services | Services (personal Hygiene Etc) | 152.14 |
| Occasions | Plants for Bar at Centre | 47.40 |
| Regal Sports | Track Suits Etc for Centre Staff | 209.30 |
| Seeboard | Old Changing Rooms (Final A/C) | 8.59 |
| Bella Jones | Aerobics coaching | 27.00 |
| Blue Circle | Allotment Rents Durrant Way | 26.88 |
| West Kent Supplies | Sundry items for Bar | 109.61 |
| K.C.C. | Parks, Admin & Centre supplies | 1,659.40 |
| Fishers of Dartford | Admin & Centre supplies | 128.35 |
| Power Sport | Fitness Room equipment | 190.21 |
| R R Reynolds | Services to various parks equipment | 286.19 |
| Sooner Snacks | Bar snacks | 102.92 |
| Cabana Central | Soft drinks etc for Bar | 335.15 |
| Courage Ltd | Bar stock | 2,101.13 |
| Cash | Wages week 40 (petty cash, stamps etc) | 809.61 |
| D Haynes | Keyboard player - charity evening | 40.00 |
| Bexley Automatics | Change for Gaming machine | 115.00 |
| Bella Jones | Aerobics coaching | 35.00 |

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Accounts Paid January 1990 (cont'd)

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| Bella Jones | Aerobics coaching | 31.00 |
| North Kent Oil | Diesel A/C | 10.00 |
| Fishers of Dartford | Centre & Admin Supplies | 49.00 |
| Southern Water | Sports Pavilion, Grove & Pavilion A/C's | 364.88 |
| Seeboard | Park, Bowls Pavilion & Toilet Block A/C | 96.60 |
| Cash | Wages week 41 | 467.74 |
| Inland Revenue | Tax & N.I. contributions | 3,784.57 |
| Seeboard | St.Lighting | 30.44 |
| Mrs Beadon | Curtains for Bar | 181.00 |
| D.B.C. | All night st.lighting | 490.00 |
| Bella Jones | Aerobics coaching | 44.00 |
| Dartford Public Address | Christmas Lights (erection & connection) | 46.00 |
| P.R.S. Ltd | Public Performance Licence for Centre | 170.64 |
| British Telecom | Centre & Parks A/C | 313.57 |
| Elite Car Hire | Jan A/C Car Hire | 32.66 |
| Woodruff Sports | Table Tennis balls | 24.84 |
| D.M.C. | Fitting out of bar area (seating etc) | 8,110.37 |
| C.B.H.B & P | Various legal fees | 295.25 |
| C.I.P.F.A. | V.A.T. Manual | 25.00 |
| K.C.F.A. | Fee re 5 v 5 side football | 5.00 |
| Church Road Garage | Dec Petrol A/C | 40.40 |
| D.M.C. | Works re back bar | 1,707.75 |
| Cash | Wages week 42 | 562.66 |
| Craylands Lane Chemist | Camera films | 79.75 |
| Coffeetime | Coffee supplies etc. | 32.00 |
| British Telecom | Connection charges re Centre | 308.44 |
| Harland Ceilings | Suspended ceilings in Centre | 563.50 |
| Kentish Times Newspapers | Adverts re Centre facilities | 460.00 |
| Sports Engineering | Lubricants for Power Jog | 59.80 |
| Crusader | Bar food | 102.59 |
| Sooner Snacks | Bar food snacks | 60.03 |
| Courage Ltd | Bar stocks | 1,126.19 |
| H.Rose | Spirits for Bar | 334.38 |
| Sports Turf Maintenance | Indeline | 22.54 |
| Fishers | Admin supplies | 4.40 |
| Kentish Times Newspapers | Adverts re Centre facilities | 230.00 |
| K.C.C. | Photo Copier A/C | 72.71 |
| Barclays Bank | Salaries Centre & Admin & Park | 8,124.32 |
| Cash | Wages week 43 | 563.76 |
| Julie Dore | Relief Receptionist - Centre | 41.25 |
| Hillesden Securituess | Kitchen equipment - Lease | 108.02 |
| Bexley Automatics | Licence for fruit machine | 50.50 |
| British Gas | Centre A/C | 1,245.44 |
| British Telecom | Admin A/C | 107.90 |
| Bella Jones | Aerobics coaching | 70.00 |
| West Kent Supplies | Bar sundries | 27.20 |
| Darent Valley | Security lights at Knockhall | 713.00 |
| Fishers | Admin & Centre supplies | 46.92 |
| Bexley Automatics | Rental of fruit m/c and licence | 85.00 |
| Summers | Admin service - typewriter | 25.54 |
| Bexley Automatics | Rental fruit m/c and licence | 85.00 |
| R R Reynolds | Parks Equipment Serviced | 308.20 |
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| | | £42,613.03 |

MINUTES of a Re-Convened MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at
Manor House, Swanscombe on TUESDAY, 10th APRIL 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith
Cllr. A M Barham
Cllr. M A Crosby
Cllr. P S Crow
Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. R Simmonds

877 LEISURE OFFICER VACANCY Following a lengthy discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That a Leisure Officer be employed on SP 22 and the job description be amended for the Leisure Officer to be responsible to the Assistant Centre Manager.

The salary scale for the Assistant Centre Manager to revert to SP 26 from the date when the Leisure Officer commences employment.

Interviews to be held on Saturday, 21st April from 10 a.m. for the five candidates selected.

878 RECEPTIONIST It was agreed that the existing staff be asked to cover the additional time.

879 EASTER OPENING HOURS

RECOMMENDED

That the Centre be opened for business as usual.

Chairman



MINUTES of a MEETING of the SWANSCOMBE AND GREENHITHE TOWN COUNCIL held at Manor House,
Swanscombe on THURSDAY 19th APRIL 1990 at 7.30 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. M A Crosby - Town Mayor
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. A M Barham Cllr. N Halford
Cllr. P S Crow Cllr. M J Munn
Cllr. P R Defty Cllr. B G Poppy
Cllr. T V Dixon Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. P J French Cllr. R Simmonds

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs A E D Barham, M D Chater, B R Francis and R A Francis.

880 Councillor R A Francis Members were advised that Councillor R A Francis had been taken ill and was in Joyce Green hospital. Members requested that a card be sent to Councillor Francis wishing him well.

881 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th March, 1990 be confirmed and signed.

882 FUN-FAIR - BROOMFIELD ROAD Members were advised of a request received from Mr Davis to have a fun-fair at Broomfield Road from April 25th to 28th. After discussion, it was,

RESOLVED

That the Clerk reply informing that the Town Council were unable to assist with his request on this occasion, and suggest he contact Blue Circle.

883 POLL TAX - PUBLIC MEETING members were advised of a reply received from R.J.Dunn M.P. informing that he was still happy to met a deputation from Swanscombe and Greenhithe to discuss the Poll Tax during the week commencing 23rd April, 1990.

884 SCHOOL ACTION COMMITTEE Members were advised of receipt of a letter from the Secretary of the above Committee thanking the Town Council for the donation towards their fund raising to help save the School.

NOTED

885 STORAGE Members were advised of a letter received from Dartford Borough Council informing of the fire resistance applicable to the storage room at the Centre.

NOTED

886 COBHAM TERRACE/VALLEY VIEW SITE Members were advised that a copy of the Section 52 Draft Agreement regarding the above mentioned site had been received for Members comments.

RESOLVED

That the Agreement be copied and given to Members for discussion at the next Recreation and Amenities Committee Meeting. *AB*

887 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor P S Crow.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th March 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

888 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor A M Barham.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st March 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

Councillor P R Defty entered the Council Chamber.

889 RECREATION AND AMENITIES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor A M Barham and seconded by Councillor N Halford.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd March 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

890 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor P S Crow.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 4th April 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

891 INVICTA MONUMENT Reference Minute 834, the Clerk was asked to write to the Borough Council requesting details of the location for the Monument and suggesting that it be placed by the Leisure Centre.

892 FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor N Halford and seconded by Councillor A M Barham.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th April 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

893 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Moved by Councillor A M Barham and seconded by Councillor P S Crow.

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th April 1990 be confirmed and the recommendations contained therein be adopted.

894 SEALING OF DOCUMENTS

RESOLVED

That the Town Mayor, Councillor M A Crosby, sign the Agreement with Courage Breweries on behalf of the Town Council, and an Agreement for a glass washer for the Leisure Centre Bar. AB

895 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESOLVED

That a Meeting of the Executive Committee be held on Tuesday 1st May at the Leisure Centre at 7.45 p.m.

896 TOWN MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS Members were informed that Miss Grealis the Deputy Town Clerk and the Assistant Centre Manager Mr Tim Hill had recently got engaged and were wished every happiness for the future.

897 LEISURE CENTRE PROPOSAL Members had received a copy of a Proposal to transfer the sum of £32,500 from General/Other Projects to the Leisure Centre budget. Following a lengthy discussion a vote was taken and the Proposal was lost.

898 ONE WAY TRAFFIC SYSTEM Members had received a copy of a report of the recent meeting of the one-way working party. After a brief discussion, it was,

RESOLVED

That a meeting be arranged with Dartford Borough Council and Gravesend Police to discuss the parking problems in Swanscombe and Greenhithe.

899 TOWN PLANNING The following Planning Applications had been received from Dartford Borough Council and were submitted for Members observations :

DA/90/0110/Rev Revisions to show improved car parking facilities and increase in amenity space provision.
2 London Road, Greenhithe, Kent.

OBSERVATIONS No Observations.

DA/90/0232 Use of land for storage and distribution of goods by third party users.

Land at Swanscombe Cement Works, Manor Way, Swanscombe, Kent

OBSERVATIONS: No Objections were raised but it was felt that public footpaths on the site should be preserved.

900 THAMES SIDE INDUSTRIAL ROUTE Discussion took place regarding the Thames-side Industrial Route, and it's possible effect on properties in Station Road, Greenhithe.

RESOLVED

That the Clerk write to Dartford Borough Council asking for their proposals regarding the demolition of houses in Station Road and what re-housing and compensation was to be offered. *AMB arham*

MINUTES of a MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at the Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane Swanscombe on THURSDAY, 26th APRIL 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman
Cllr. Mrs D J Ash-Smith
Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. B E Read

Also in attendance were Councillor's P R Defty and B G Poppy.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's M A Crosby, P S Crow and R Simmonds.

901 MINUTES The Minutes of the Meetings held on March 7th, 21st and April 4th and 10th were confirmed and signed.

902 EASTER HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES Members were advised of an Easter Egg Hunt that had taken place on Good Friday, which had proved very popular despite the bad weather.

Trampoline courses had also been organised.

903 STOCK-TAKE The second stock-take had taken place on April 18th and Members were advised that the figures would be available shortly.

904 CASH OFFICE A letter had been received from Dartford Borough Council giving details of the cost of having a further security window installed. Members requested that copies of the letter and drawings be distributed for the next Meeting.

905 PRIVATE FUNCTIONS Members considered the enquiries that had been made to hire the main hall. After discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the first 5 bookings be accepted. Booking forms for the remainder to be considered at the next Meeting. The charge for the hire of the hall to be £15 per hour and the conditions of hire to be amended.

906 HIRE OF COMMITTEE ROOM Members were advised of a verbal request made by Dartford Borough Council to use the Committee Room for the distribution of bus passes.

RECOMMENDED

That the Borough Council have use of the Committee Room as required and be charged at the normal rate.

907 EXTRACTOR FAN The Clerk was asked to obtain advice regarding the type of fan required in the bar kitchen.

908 LEASE Members had received a copy of the letter received from C.B.H.B&P and the relevant pages from the Travelling Draft which were to be amended.

RECOMMENDED

That the Clerk write to the Solicitor asking for clause 7 to be clarified - regarding the insurance provisions, and agreeing to the other terms with the exception of the clause relating to the rental charges.

909 STRUCTURAL REPORT A letter had been received from the Borough Council acknowledging receipt of the revised report.

RECOMMENDED

That a letter be sent noting their remarks but expressing concern that the entire roof has not been fixed as securely as the repairs that were carried out.

910 STORAGE UNIT A reply had been received from Dartford Borough Council advising that although they appreciated the difficulties of the Town Council they could not assist with finance for this project.

911 AUDIO SYSTEM Members requested that the system be checked with particular reference to the radio microphone.

912 MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENT Reference Minute 747, it was agreed that the entertainment should continue for a further month.

Councillor B E Read left the Meeting.

913 RECEPTIONIST It was agreed that the applicants would be considered by the Members of the Committee who would be interviewing for the Leisure Officer vacancy on Saturday, 28th April.

Chairman.

M. J. Ash Smith

MINUTES of a MEETING of the EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE held at the Swanscombe Centre,
Craylands Lane, Swanscombe on TUESDAY, 1st MAY 1990 at 7.45 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr. N Halford - Chairman
Cllr. A M Barham
Cllr. M A Crosby
Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. B G Poppy
Cllr. B E Read

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's P R Defty and Mrs S East.

914 STANDING ORDERS

RECOMMENDED

That Standing Order number 1 (vi) be suspended for the duration of the Meeting.

915 PARK ATTENDANT Members were advised that a letter of resignation had been received from the week-end park attendant.

NOTED

916 STAFFING

RECOMMENDED

That Mr Hinkley be given an additional payment of £8.34 for 6 weeks for greenkeeper training.

917 CASUAL USER CAR ALLOWANCE Members were advised of the notification received from the N J L C regarding the revised allowances, applicable from 1st January, 1990.

RECOMMENDED

That this document be accepted.

918 SALARIES Following discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That salaries be increased for the Parks Foreman to SP 21 and for the Deputy Town Clerk to SP 22 to be paid with effect from April 1st, 1990.

Councillor A M Barham entered the
Committee Room

919 MANOR HOUSE Members were advised that a letter had been received from the Solicitor, informing that a Hearing had been held at the Gravesend County Court. The Order by Consent was that there be no Order for a new tenancy and the premises would be vacated by May 14th.

NOTED

AM Barham

MINUTES of the MEETING of the LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE held at the Swanscombe Centre, Craylands Lane Swanscombe on WEDNESDAY, 2nd MAY 1990 at 8 p.m.

PRESENT : Cllr. N Halford - Chairman
Cllr. Mrs B A Halford
Cllr. B E Read
Cllr. R Simmonds

Also present Councillor B G Poppy.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor's Mrs D J Ash-Smith, A M Barham, M A Crosby and P S Crow.

920 LEISURE OFFICER Members were advised that interviews had been held but the position had not been filled.

921 RECEPTIONISTS Members were advised that interviews had been arranged for Friday 4th May from 12.30 p.m.

922 MEMBERSHIP FEE It was,

RECOMMENDED

That from June 1st 1990 the Membership fee for non-residents be increased to £10.

923 STAFFING Following discussion it was,

RECOMMENDED

That the position of Centre Manager be advertised on a salary scale of SP 27-30.

Chairman

D.J. Ash-Smith